

EDUCATORS MEET

Atlanta Throws Her Doors Open to Teachers.

HUNDREDS OF TEACHERS THERE

A Notable Gathering of Those Who Assume the Mission of Instructing Mankind.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 30.—Atlanta has thrown her gates wide open to the hundreds of teachers who have journeyed hither from all parts of the states to do their share toward making the fourteenth annual convention of the Southern Educational Association a feast of reason and a flow of soul. Conspicuous by their badges and ribbons, the visitors have possession of the hotels, principal streets in the business section, halls and school-houses. It is a notable gathering of those who have assumed the mission of instructing mankind from the first stages in the kindergarten to the final ones in the university. Men and women distinguished in the history of the present decade are to be encountered at every turn. Registered, at one or other of the hotels, or the guests of leading families, are such distinguished educators as, William T. Harris, United States commissioner of education; Chancellor W. B. Hill, of the University of Georgia; Professor C. H. Barnwell, of the University of Alabama; Professor Paterson Wardlaw, of the University of South Carolina; Professor Charles Kent, of the University of Virginia; Hon. Hoke Smith, of Atlanta; S. A. Myrders, state superintendent of public instruction of Tennessee; Superintendent R. J. Tighe, of Asheville, N. C., and many others whose reputation is national.

The auditorium of the First Baptist church, where the formal opening exercises were held, was tastefully decorated with flags, flowers and the inevitable pictures of the Little Red Schoolhouse. The program of exercises was as follows: Prayer, Dr. W. W. Landrum; address of welcome on behalf of the state, Governor J. M. Terrell; welcome on behalf of the city, Mayor Evan P. Howell; on behalf of

the press, Hon. John Temple Graves; responses on behalf of the association, Edward M. Poteat, president of Furman university, and superintendent Junius Jordan of Pine Bluff, Ark.; address of the president of the association, Francis P. Venable, president of the University of North Carolina.

FROM NEARBY TOWNS

CLARKSTON NOTES.

CLARKSTON, Dec. 29.—Professor Otis Randall, principal and superintendent of the Clarkston public schools and a noted educator will be married tomorrow evening to Miss Grace Tanner of Lewiston. They will reside in Clarkston.

Clarkston has experienced an unprecedented building development during the past year. More than \$100,000 has been spent in residence and business buildings.

VAGARIES OF VACUUM TUBE

Light and Sound Emitted in a Mysterious Manner.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Following the announcement in London a few days ago that an English experimenter found that his vacuum tube emitted light for days after it had been disconnected from his battery, W. J. Hammer, an electrical engineering expert of this city, declared last night that he had obtained sounds from a vacuum tube in much the same way. In his laboratory in the presence of former Assistant Attorney General James M. Beck, and several other personal friends, Mr. Hammer set his automatic music box at work. For five minutes at a time a low mummuring sound like A on the musical scale came from a big vacuum tube that had been disconnected from the induction coil and laid on a pasteboard box filled with excelsior. If one of the auditors spoke the sound ran up into the treble, but soon sank to its regular rhythm. The cause is a mystery.

Polar Personal.

First Artic Explorer (sticking his head out of sleeping bag)—Say, Bill, how cold is it?

Second Explorer.—It's 128 degrees below zero in the sun.

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Second Explorer—That's the Eskimo Outing club giving a lawn fete.

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AMUSING EXPENSES

Contingent Fund of Senate Goes for Queer Things.

\$40 A MONTH TO WIND CLOCKS

Quinine Pills, Attar of Roses, Castor Oil and Bromo Seltzer Are a Few Things Bought.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 29.—The annual report of the secretary of the senate always affords more or less amusement on account of the disclosures it makes regarding the expenditures of the contingent fund of the senate. The last report of Secretary Bennett, recently submitted, is no exception to the rule. It is interesting to note some of the items for which government money has been paid out.

Some idea of the elegance with which the senate committee rooms are now furnished is gathered from his statement showing the expenditures made in furnishing the room of the committee on pensions. The total cost of furniture for this room was \$1685. The furniture for the most part is mahogany, and of an expensive quality. In addition to the large committee table and committee chairs, the senate purchased one leather arm chair at \$42; two mahogany and leather revolving chairs at \$27 each; one leather rocking chair at \$14; two leather arm chairs at \$12 each; one leather sofa at \$87, and a typewriter desk at \$55, and so on. The committee on pensions, however, is not considered one of the well furnished rooms about the capitol.

Further along the report of Mr. Bennett is found an item as follows: "To J. T. Hunt for winding clocks of the United States senate for the month of July, \$40." This means that the senate expends \$40 a year merely for having its clock wound. This expenditure does not provide for repairs, cleaning, etc.

It costs the senate \$200 a month during session to have its towels washed and ironed. This would seem like a rather large outlay for 90 men, supposed to be cleanly in their habits, but

the expenditure also includes towel service for the committee rooms and the clerks' office of the senate. The senate's towels are washed and ironed at the rate of 30 cents a dozen, and the work last winter was divided between three persons, two of them colored washer women, who managed to make anywhere from \$50 to \$127 per month by their labor, and the third, a man, who takes out a lot of towels under contract at the above rate.

The accounts of the senate barber shop, which is also to some extent the senate pharmacy, is rather amusing. For instance, on November the senate purchased 1000 two-grain quinine pills, 1000 three-grain quinine pills, one dram attar of roses, one quart castor oil, one gallon dandruff cure, one horehound drops, six bottles cascara, case Red Raven Splits, five pounds and a full line of drugs and soaps and perfumes, etc. The senate appears to be well provided with emergency remedies in case any of its members are taken suddenly ill and indeed provision is made even for swelled heads as shown by a liberal stock of bromo-seltzer, which is laid in at the beginning of the session.

The stationery account of the senate is likewise amusing, for outside the line of strict stationery, Secretary Bennett reports the purchase of wrist bags, manicure sets, chatelaine bags, card cases, and numerous articles of this sort, which would create a laugh if found on the person of a United States senator.

The expenditures of the senate contingent fund are all legitimate of course, but to a person unacquainted with the senate ways it would seem from reading the secretary's report that a great deal of the public money had been wasted.

The secretary of the interior found \$50,000, appropriated at the last session of congress to defray expenses of collecting and displaying the Alaska exhibit at the St. Louis exposition is inadequate, and that additional funds will be necessary. He has therefore prepared and will send to congress immediately after it reassembles in January, an emergency estimate for \$25,000 which, in his opinion, is needed to complete the Alaska exhibit. Secretary Hitchcock looks to the delegations from the Pacific coast states to assist in securing this money, and is in hopes that it may be made available promptly as the present funds will be largely exhausted when the Alaska building has been paid for.

In view of the discovery of the secretary of the interior that he is unable under the existing law to erect new buildings at Puyallup Indian school, the delegation from Washington will be called upon at an early date to secure the passage of a special act of congress, providing for the purchase of such lands as may be needed for these school buildings. During the days when the Puyallup lands were in the Indian reservation there was no trouble about erecting buildings, but since the lands have become the sole property of the Indians, they are, in the opinion of the department, private lands and therefore are beyond the control of the department. It is specifically stated in the revised statutes that the government shall not expend its moneys in erecting public buildings on private lands. In the face of this law there is nothing for the interior department to do but to appeal to congress, unless some higher legal authority shall devise a means whereby the secretary will feel authorized in erecting new buildings on private lands at the Puyallup school.

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AMUSEMENTS

Andrew Robson, who will be at the Walla Walla theater next week, is this season presenting Winston Churchill's successful story, "Richard Carvel," done into its present dramatic form by Edward E. Rose. It is authoritatively stated that handsome costumes in complete accord with the colonial period, at which time the action of the play takes place, handsome scenery and other accessories go to make the production a very pleasing one to the eye, while Mr. Robson's work as the hero, supported by an excellent company pleases even the most captious theatre-goer.

"Hello Bill"

"Hello Bill" is one of the most laughable farce-comedies that is billed at the Walla Walla theater this season. It is built to a great extent after such fun-producers as "Too Much Johnson" and "The Man From Mexico" and there are laughs, laughs, laughs from beginning to end. It is in the hands of really clever people and is produced with a skill that almost disarms criticism of the piece itself.

The play concerns an indiscretion on the part of W. Fuller (J. D. Murphy) on the eve of his marriage. He enters a gambling house which is raided by the police and is let out on bail in time to attend the ceremony. His friend Cutting endeavors to fix things and certainly succeeds. The husband fears that he will be compelled to serve 90 days in jail and a paper at hand contains a Washington dispatch announcing the appointment of W. Fuller to the position of lieutenant-colonel. This he pretends means his call to the front and he leaves. In the meantime the real army Fuller performs wonderful feats of bravery in Cuba and is promoted to a brigadier-generalship. When the papers announce his return the bogus army hero comes back from a little sojourn in Jersey, and is received with brass bands and a reception. The real General Fuller learns of the reception in his honor and turns up also. Finally the bogus hero confesses his secret to the real general and the latter agrees to carry out the farce.

Mickey Finn.

The Mickey Finn farce comedy company which comes to the Walla Walla theater next Monday night is heralded as one of the largest and most satisfactory organizations of its kind on the road this season. Its success throughout the East has been little short of phenomenal, return dates being demanded in every town where the show has been. Funny Rube Welch and his no less talented partner, Kattie Francis head the long list of entertainers.

NECK IS BROKEN MAN WILL LIVE

Operation Said to be Without Parallel Performed at Sioux City Hospital.

SIoux CITY, Iowa, Dec. 30.—An operation having no parallel in the surgical world which was performed at St. Joseph's hospital yesterday by Dr. William Jepson, who has the chair of surgery at the state university.

John Norstrom of Danbury, Iowa, fell from a load of hay, striking on his head and breaking his neck. He has been almost totally paralyzed for weeks, and Dr. Jepson decided to operate on his broken neck.

Accordingly, a portion of the third cervical vertebrae was removed, the false growth of tissue was cleaned out and the bone was replaced. The patient is doing well, with every prospect of recovery.

Operations have been performed for the relief of a dislocation of the lumbar vertebrae, but no case is known in

which the cervical vertebrae, situated so near the medulla oblongata, the seat of the vital bodily functions, was successfully removed and replaced.

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