

TO ENLARGE SCOPE OF COLUMBIA HIGH

Board Decides to Give Better Opportunity for Vocational Training.

ADD SIX TEACHERS

Will Take Advantage of the New Law for Training Teachers.

The Board of Education of the city public schools decided last night that the Columbia High School students need a better opportunity for vocational training. A number of new courses will be added and six more teachers will be employed for the next school year as a result of their decision.

The board voted to take advantage of a law passed by the last Legislature which gives state aid to high schools maintaining a teachers' training course. A special teacher will be employed for this course. The purpose of the course is to train high school students for rural school teaching. Only juniors and seniors of the high school will be eligible. Upon completion of the course the state superintendent of schools will give a two years' certificate allowing the holder to teach in any county of the state, and after two years' successful experience, supplemented by twelve weeks' normal, college or university work, will give a first grade certificate. The high school will get \$750 from the state for this course.

Mechanical drawing will be introduced and manual training will be offered eight periods each day instead of four periods as is given this year. The seventh grade boys also will be given an opportunity to work in the manual training room from 2:30 to 4 o'clock each day.

Domestic science will be another new course offered. A teacher will be hired to give her entire time to this. There will be a new assistant in the science department who will devote his entire time to biology. Miss Meta Eitzen, who has been teaching both physics and biology, will teach only physics next year. The new teacher is to give the students a greater number of hours in which they can take either of the courses.

At the Fred Douglass school for negroes, an additional teacher will devote her entire time to domestic science, and a second teacher will teach only manual training. A room will be equipped for teaching domestic science, and a new room will be built and fitted with benches and other equipment for manual training.

The board authorized J. E. McPherson, superintendent of city schools, to investigate different makes of fire extinguishers suitable for school-houses.

SCHOOL CHILDREN ON A STRIKE

Protest Against City Superintendent in Pittsburgh.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 22.—A little girl, 4 years old, was struck and killed by a street car here today while attempting to join a line of marching school children who had gone on a strike. Hundreds of children comprised the line. They quit their classes in protest against the continuation in office of S. L. Heeter, school superintendent. Heeter was recently acquitted of a charge against him by a young housemaid.

ALIEN BILL CAUSES CHAOS

California Governor's Attempt to Quell "Hysteria" Ineffective.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., April 22.—The legislation which is pending in the senate for the exclusion of aliens from land ownership is in a state of chaos. It is impossible to foretell the extent to which the debating will go or the number of amendments which will be attached before a final vote is reached.

The anti-legislation sentiment is strong, but its advocates are divided on three amendments. The statement of the governor deprecating the "Hysteria and wild outcry" has had little effect on the situation.

Suffrage Victory There.

HARRISBURG, Pa., April 22.—The equal suffrage amendment passed the senate today by a vote of 26-22. As the house has not passed the measure it must now pass the 1915 session and then be approved at the poll before the amendment becomes effective.

SHOWERS AND COOLER

Weather Bureau Says There Will Be Unsettled Weather.

The Weather Bureau forecast is: "Unsettled weather with showers tonight or Wednesday. Cooler Wednesday afternoon or night." The temperatures for today were:

7 a.m.	65	11 a.m.	77
8 a.m.	70	12 (noon)	78
9 a.m.	72	1 p.m.	80
10 a.m.	74	2 p.m.	81

MRS. ETTA HOUSE DEAD

Funeral Held at Home, 806 Tandy Street This Afternoon.

Mrs. Etta House died at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the home of her brother, Frank Mohr, 806 Tandy street. Mrs. House was the daughter of Jacob Mohr. She was born in Woodford, Ill., and was 46 years old. She had been ill almost a year from cancer and heart trouble. Mrs. Mohr was a widow. She leaves four children, George, Estelle, Walker and Anna.

The funeral was held at her home at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon. The Rev. A. B. Bayley conducted the services.

SAY TRUSTS THRIVED

Democrats Rap Republican Rule in Tariff Report Made Today.

WASHINGTON, April 22.—The report of the tariff revision bill submitted to the House today by the Democrats of the Ways and Means Committee said that the trusts and monopolies thrived under the republican regime and that "competitive tariff to reduce the high cost of living" is imperative. "Shots" were taken at the Payne-Aldrich Law and the present high tariff policy was denounced. The report declares that the high tariff in no way represents the choice of the people.

The report interpreted the Baltimore convention pledge with the belief that the pledge contains two essential ideas—the establishment of duties designed primarily to produce revenue without thought of protection and that this should be obtained by legislation without injury to legitimate industry.

The Democrats estimate that the annual receipts under the new tariff law will be over \$900,000,000. This leaves a deficit of about \$68,000,000 to be cared for by the income tax. In defending their action in putting sugar and raw wool on the free list, the Democrats say that they have responded to the demands of the public. Congress has the power to lower the income tax, the Democrats point out, and can prevent either a treasury surplus or deficit. They declare the income tax as the "fairest and cheapest of all taxes."

U. S. TO AID OF JAPANESE

President, However, Hopes That California Won't Make Trouble.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 22.—The federal government of the United States will aid Japan in court action to declare unconstitutional laws passed in California which would make aliens who are "ineligible to citizenship," incapable of land ownership.

The Department of Justice will intervene as a "friend of court" immediately after any legislation is passed which President Wilson and Secretary Bryan believe unconstitutional.

The President is hopeful that California will follow the government wishes. The administration does not question the right of a state to enact a law for its own protection but considers the wording of the law the all-important question. The phraseology of the law will determine the final attitude of the President.

Officials fear an outbreak of anti-American feeling among the "jingo" of Japan.

SUED FOR ONE-FOURTH MILLION

Son of Mayor Is Defendant in Chicago Libel Case

W. E. Moore, son of Mayor W. P. Moore, and a former student of the University, has been made defendant in a \$250,000 libel suit brought against the Chicago Inter-Ocean by Andrew Lawrence of the Chicago American. Mr. Moore is managing editor of the Inter-Ocean.

"To think that a man would sue me for \$250,000. Surely my credit has gone up," he writes his father.

COLUMBIA AND M. U. TO BE ART CENTER

State Association Is Planning Eight Branches for Missouri.

EXHIBIT H. S. DAY

Prof. M. C. Carr Says Plan Will Enable Better Methods of Study.

Columbia and the University of Missouri are to become one of the eight art centers of the state, according to the plan of the members of the faculty and the students in the fine and manual art departments, who are going to organize a branch of the Missouri Association of Applied Arts and Sciences.

A meeting was held at the Gordon Hotel Building last night at which a committee was appointed to elect officers and to plan a program for High School Day, when the art teachers will be in Columbia. The members of the committee are Miss Eva Winkler, Miss Louise Arnold and J. Murray. A conference with the visiting teachers and an exhibition will be held in the art rooms the morning of High School Day.

Other art centers will be at Kansas City, St. Louis and the towns where there are state normal schools.

"The idea is to bring something other than mere routine into the lecture room," said Prof. M. C. Carr this morning. "The students will be able to get outside experience similar to that which art students get abroad. We are to have meetings every two weeks at which we shall criticize one another's work, ask questions and read journals.

"The art center will also be a sort of bureau of art information and will help those who are already teachers and those who intend to teach art. At present the teachers in the various schools are practically isolated."

U. S. ENTERS JAP CASE

Wilson Asks That California Avoid Making Invidious Discrimination.

WASHINGTON, April 22.—President Wilson said the final word of the administration in regard to the Japanese question in a telegram to Governor Johnson of California today. He asked that the legislature be urged to state the act in such a manner that it "cannot form any point of view which can be fatally challenged or called into question."

The President also suggested that if it should be deemed necessary to exclude aliens from the ownership of land, that it be done along the lines already followed by several other states and foreign countries, including Japan herself. Invidious discrimination will inevitably draw in questions of treaty obligations, President Wilson said.

The President protested against the discrimination in this case and he said that he also believed that California should respond when the matter was presented as a question of national policy.

Representatives Baker, Kettner and Church of California appealed to the President this morning to continue his "hands off" policy. They suggested that if the administration would hold off interference, the measure might be submitted to the people under the referendum to ascertain the real sentiment of the state.

SHORTS IN A LONG CASE

According to Weather Signal It Means Trouble for Physicians.

One Long and four Shorts, while one Short longer than any of Columbia's weather signals, means trouble for some one. The case of Dr. O. M. Long, charged with writing prescriptions for liquor to be used for other than medicinal purposes, comes up April 28. Four Shorts are witnesses, W. L. Short, Mrs. W. L. Short, James R. Short and Edith Short.

DR. MIKEL PLEADS GUILTY

Court Fines Him For Writing Liquor Prescriptions.

Dr. H. F. Mikel, charged with writing illegal prescriptions, withdrew plea of not guilty and entered plea of guilty. He was fined \$40 on each of seven indictments yesterday.

INSURANCE BUSINESS NOW AT STANDSTILL

Agents are Told by Companies Not to Write Ordinary Risks.

EFFECT OF ORR BILL

Petition to Ask for Repeal of Law and Competitive Basis.

Since the passage of the Orr Bills, the insurance agents in Columbia, like those all over the state, are "sitting steady in the boat" to see what will turn up. In the opinion of most of them, the selling of any insurance at all, unless the bills are repealed, will depend upon a liberal interpretation of the spirit of the bills by the state officials.

W. W. Garth, Jr., of the St. Clair-Garth Company, has received a letter from the Citizens' Insurance Company of St. Louis which represents the type of letter sent out by most of the companies to their Missouri agents. It informs the agent that he is not to write any more insurance of any kind until he receives instructions from his office. It also tells him to make use of no book or pamphlet of prices or rates issued by any person, association or bureau that purports to make insurance rates. The letter intimates that the agent will soon receive instructions as to the writing of ordinary risks but implies that the agent will not be allowed to write any special risks for some time to come.

Also Affects Loans.

Mr. Garth says that the greatest damage done by the bill here will be its effect on loans. "The companies here are turning down loans because they are afraid they won't be able to get the insurance," he says. "Every fire insurance company that has been doing business in Columbia for any length of years has lost money. Since October \$75,000 in policies has been paid. It is an unprofitable field for fire insurance. Columbia and Carrollton are considered the most unprofitable fields in the state for fire insurance."

On the other hand, Columbia is considered the best town of its size in the state for the writing of life insurance. The University professors are considered good risks.

The average rate on frame, shingle-roofed dwellings is only 40 cents on the \$100, but on business houses the rate runs as high as \$4.50. This is usually due to abnormal risks, such as the use of gasoline on the premises and very poor electric light wiring.

Agents Are Idle.

The members of the Smith, Catron, Evans Company think that no one knows where he stands on the insurance question—the insurance companies, the agents or the state officials. This firm like the others is writing no insurance until the question is decided one way or the other.

It is thought that a test case will be tried immediately to determine the question.

Before the Oliver Bill was passed two years ago insurance rates were on a competitive basis. The passing of this bill caused rates to be furnished on every sort of risk to every company writing insurance in the state. To establish this rating in Missouri cost the insurance companies about a quarter of a million dollars. This amount was of course charged to the policy holders in increased premiums.

The first Orr Bill, recently passed by the legislature, repealed the Oliver Bill, while the second Orr Bill made it a felony to write insurance under any sort of rate, calling it an infringement of the Sherman Anti-Trust Law. There is a petition being circulated now asking that the second Orr Bill be repealed and the companies put back on a competitive basis.

A DINNER AND SMOKER NOW

Commercial Club Changes Hour of Its Weekly Meetings.

In place of the regular noonday Commercial Club luncheon next Thursday, there will be a dinner and smoker at 6:30 o'clock that night in the Virginia Grill. Besides speaking and general discussion at this meeting, a statement of the financial condition of the club will be presented. This will be the first monthly smoker and will be continued throughout the summer. No money will be raised at this meeting. Those who can not get to the dinner at 6:30 o'clock may come after the dinner.

KANSAS CITY MAN TO TALK

Assembly Lecture Next Tuesday by L. A. Halbert.

L. A. Halbert, general superintendent of the board of public welfare of Kansas City will give an illustrated lecture on "Giving the People a Good Environment," at Assembly next Tuesday morning. The board of welfare has control of charity and correction work of the city. It has a thorough system of charity work, maintains a working place for unemployed laborers, conducts a loan bureau to protect the people against loan sharks, provides amusement for a great many persons of the poor class and looks after the wayward children and youths.

Dr. C. A. Ellwood said that this board was considered a great sociological experiment. Very few cities in America have such a board. Mr. Halbert will use a number of stereopticon slides showing the working of the different branches of the board.

TURN ON THE LIGHT

Mayor Would Have No Dark Corners in The City's Business.

"Yes, we are talking about city business, but what is the business of the city is your business. Sit down."

Mayor W. P. Moore pointed to a chair in the corner of his office.

"There are no secrets in city business, you know," he said to the man who had just come in. "There will be no secret sessions of any kind—not even an executive session of the council—while I am mayor, if I can help it."

Then he resumed his conversation with a man who had called to talk with him about city affairs.

"Appointments to city offices will be made as soon as an ordinance is passed providing for the administration of the city water and light plant," he said. "I will call a meeting of the city council tomorrow night, if I can get together all the facts and figures I want by that time. Another ordinance will be presented to the council for action."

"I am trying to do what I think is best for the city and I believe the citizens are with me. Yesterday after the change I made at the water and light plant, more than 150 called here to endorse my action. I do not think the next meeting of the council will be as stormy as the last one."

At present Miss Snowdon Willis, bookkeeper, is attending to the office business of the water and light department. The mayor occasionally walks across from his office on Ninth street to oversee matters.

SAW STREET FLUSHER AT WORK

Demonstration Given Down Town for Purchasing Committee.

A demonstration of a street flusher made by an Iowa firm was given downtown today. A committee consisting of Mrs. W. T. Stephenson, Claude Wheeler and Mayor W. P. Moore, has investigated other similar machines and hope to decide upon one in a few days.

The committee made a trip to St. Louis for the purpose of examining street flushers. A member said this morning that the matter would be determined in the next day or so.

Old Trails Convention in Kansas City.

The National Old Trails Road Association will hold its second annual convention in Kansas City April 29 and 30. Dean Walter Williams, president of the Missouri Old Trails Association, is on the program for an address Wednesday morning, April 30. The meetings will be held in the auditorium of the Midland Building.

To Give a One-Act Play.

Miss Elizabeth Morgan Gibbons, a post graduate in the school of expression at Christian College, will give a recital in the college auditorium at 8 o'clock tonight. She will give a one-act Irish play, "In the Land of Heart's Desire," by William Butler Yeats. The recital is free.

New President for Maryville Normal.

Ira Richardson, professor in the Normal School at Maryville and a former student in the University of Missouri, has been promoted to the presidency of the Normal School.

Reporter Secretary to St. Louis Mayor.

Thomas H. Rogers, a St. Louis newspaper reporter, former student in the University of Missouri, has been appointed private secretary to the new mayor of St. Louis, Henry W. Keil.

COOPERATION URGED IN JUVENILE OFFICE

Charity Society Would Unite With County Court in Probation Work.

EMPLOY ONE MAN

Combined Salary Would Get More Efficient Worker Among Offenders.

The juvenile court committee of the Charity Organization Society will ask the County Court to combine the county probation office with that of the field secretary of the Charity Organization Society. The committee thinks the work of the probation office will not take the entire time of one person and that if the two offices are combined the increased salary will make it possible to get a more efficient person for the work.

The provision for a juvenile court as passed by the State Legislature makes it mandatory for the probat judge to try all juvenile cases within the county. The County Court is authorized to appoint a probation officer, who shall investigate and follow up the cases of juvenile offenders.

"The probation officer is the main spring of the court," Prof. C. A. Ellwood said yesterday. "We are going to ask the court to combine with the Charity Organization Society an efficient man for the place. The probation officer should be mature and thoroughly interested in children. He should understand juvenile courts and be a man of initiative."

The members of the committee are N. T. Gentry, the Rev. M. A. Har Dr. J. E. Thornton, Prof. C. A. Ellwood, G. B. Rollins, D. A. Robnet F. G. Harris, W. T. Cross, Mrs. C. W. Greene and Mrs. James Wrench.

TOLD OF HAMLET'S LIFE

Dr. Fairchild Speaks on Shakespearean Character at Assembly.

Hamlet's changes in character as nature as portrayed by Shakespeare were dwelt upon in the address of Dr. A. H. R. Fairchild before Assembly this morning. The disintegration of the nature of Hamlet, a accomplished by the great English writer, was the greatest achievement of the play, according to Doctor Fairchild.

The speaker followed Hamlet's career and life through its man changes. He portrayed Hamlet the university student, a young man of high ideals, who saw no evil and believed none. Then he carried him through the period of disillusionment through the tragic events that completely changed the esthetic aspect of his life. He showed the latter Hamlet so unlike the early character in many ways, but still unchanged as regarded his ideals of nobility and selflessness, despite his criminality and desire for revenge.

"It was not that Hamlet wanted to be what he was but that he could not help being so," said Doctor Fairchild. "There are many theories as to why Hamlet failed to act and still we know he did all that a human could do. It was a tragedy of adolescence."

The speaker told of the sudden acquired knowledge of evil, the death of Hamlet's father, the hypocrisy and sensuality of his mother and the other events that changed the high minded young university student into a character of tragedy, into whose final career was woven the tragedy of eight lives, including his own.

E. A. IKENBERRY IN COLUMBIA

New Farm Adviser Getting Final Instructions From D. H. Doane.

E. A. Ikenberry, who has been appointed farm adviser of Jackson County, is now in Columbia. He will spend the week here receiving his final instructions from Prof. D. F. Doane, state leader. His appointment is for a three-year term at a annual salary of \$2,500.

Mr. Ikenberry was graduated from the College of Agriculture in 1911. He was president of the Agricultural Club.

Miss Edna Anderson Marries.

Miss Edna F. Anderson, a former student in the School of Journalism at the University, and John B. Hutchinsson, were married last Saturday Independence.