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CALLS NEWSBOY DEFINITE PROBLEM

Professor Giddings Declares Home Club Would De- crease Crime.

"From among the thousands of boys between the ages of ten and eighteen, permitted by parents to roam the streets between school time and bed time without any supervision whatever, will be recruited a large proportion of the next generation's paupers and criminals," is the opinion of Dr. Franklin H. Giddings, professor of sociology at Columbia University, and the reason why the public should support the campaign to raise \$250,000 for the Newsboys' Home Club.

"As I understand it," he adds, "the purpose of the Newsboys' Club is to provide a clubhouse containing assembly rooms, gymnasium, swimming pool, class rooms, and workshops for the use of boys between the ages of twelve and sixteen and to help these boys to develop into useful citizens."

"I am heartily in sympathy with such a project. The imperative need for an adequate plant for this club, which has been struggling along for several years, under very discouraging conditions, is obvious. Newsboys constitute a unique group. Its members possess to a marked degree the qualities of

initiative, independence and courage. Such persons, however, are frequently reckless, extravagant and impatient of authority, and may become, in an unfavorable environment, a menace to society.

"It must be remembered that whatever the opinions of the newsboy himself, he is a definite problem to be reckoned with. While he is with us he should be protected so far as possible from the various dangers to which his mode of life exposes him, and encouraged to make the most of himself."

Martin W. Littleton, chairman of the general committee of the ten-day campaign to raise \$250,000 for the Newsboys' Club, will preside at a dinner of the committee at the Aldine Club on May 4, the opening day of the campaign. Members of the fifty teams of men and women who have enrolled for the work will attend and immediately afterward will start the canvass from different points in the city.

Texas Alumni Dine To-night.

The first annual dinner of the University of Texas Alumni Association will be held to-night in the Green Room of the McAlpin. Thomas Watt Gregory, Attorney General, and Albert S. Burleson, Postmaster General, both graduates of the university, are expected to be present. Other speakers announced are R. L. Batts, D. A. Frank, John M. Coleman, Walter Clifton Shuppard, Charles Pope Caldwell and Dr. Rene Huvelde. The toastmaster will be Banton Moore.

JERSEY BOY ROOMS THROUGH EUROPE

Newark Lad Wanders Alone, Without Money, for Nine Months.

IS ACCIDENTALLY SHOT BY GERMANS

Receives Help from American Consul After Arrest at Dutch Border.

By JAMES O'DONNELL BENNETT.
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[This is the second in a series of articles by Mr. Bennett on conditions in Germany.]

Aachen, Germany, March 29.—This is to inform Mr. and Mrs. Voss, of Orange Street, Newark, N. J., that their boy is probably safe and well.

Set right side up with care he was started on his way to Holland this afternoon by the new American Consul at Aachen, Henry Damm. From Rotterdam he hopes he can sail as cabin boy for America.

The adventurous Adolph Voss, aged sixteen, presented himself at the consulate toward noon today. He had a pair of mild blue eyes, an honest smile, an undaunted soul and not much else to recommend him, unless you follow men—wolves as an asset.

He was ragged but clean, and he had 40 pfennigs (10 cents) in his pocket. "Without preliminaries he said: 'I ran away from home last June. The Europe that I had in my mind at the announcement immediately caught Mr. Damm's fancy, and he set the consular machinery going in Adolph's behalf.'

When the lad left he had a paper with a big red seal on it and a handful of marks. The paper recommended him to the good offices of European powers and potentates, and the marks, supplemented by the generosity of his reasonably dependable quantity—will keep him in food till he reaches Rotterdam.

Sailed as Officer's Servant.

With the wanderlust sting within him, the mid-eyed Adolph left Newark last June and sailed for Bremen as servant to a ship's officer—did his washing and shined his shoes for him.

He said he thought there would be more chances to get on in the world in Europe than in America, especially as he could speak both English and German. Didn't I think, he asked, that it would have been so if the war hadn't come?

Anyway, he was caught in the vortex, and so far as I could get the hang of his laconic narrative, he has been wandering trustfully over the distracted face of the earth ever since, earning a few pennies sometimes by doing odd jobs about farmhouses or by running errands and carrying parcels for soldiers. When he had no money he ate with the soldiers and other good natured people.

The wonderful part of it is that without a shred of passport or any kind of identification paper he has moved about pretty much as he listed, keeping out of prison and the almshouse, and never encountering any rebuff until he tried to cross the border into Holland this morning.

The German military authorities told him to go to the Aachen police and the police sent him to the consulate. When he first came into the office he broke down and cried over his passport problem, then straightened up and answered questions with the precise "Ja wohls" and the rigid posture he has picked up from the soldiers.

As an observer of European affairs in wartime he has accomplished what many correspondents, both German and neutral, have been unable to accomplish, even when they had credentials in every pocket.

Marvellously Escaped Arrest.

It is most remarkable that he should have escaped arrest, since in every inn in the Rhineland hang military proclamations ordering the detention of all vagrants who stick to a job only two or three days and then move to the next village.

I asked him whether he had found things interesting.

"Kind of," he said in his placid way, but now he wanted to do his tramping, especially as besides that hurt he said once got his foot run over by a taxicab.

He said he had kept the money he earned on shipboard as long as he could and after that—well, here he was. It seemed that even in wartime the world had had heart enough to keep this waif from perishing.

Asked for American Newspapers.

Before he left the consulate a delightful side of the boy came out—a side that seemed to me as American as possible. He asked in quite a matter-of-fact, business man's way whether the consul could let him have some American newspapers, for though he could speak German he couldn't read it very well. So the consul gathered up some, and he started away, pleased as Punch.

A little later he fell heir to that correspondent's overcoat which used to make McUtchen and Cobb laugh, and though it was too big for him he said it would be a fine thing to sleep in in a cold railway station at night.

He had to come up to the hotel for that, and when he passed the porter in the entrance I suppose he looked pretty seedy, and felt it, for when he was leaving he said:

"I was ashamed to come here, and now with these things I'm ashamed to go out. What'll they think?"

"They'll think you're a friend of mine," I said, and that comforted him a bit.

But to save his pride I had to see him to the street.

Here's hoping he gets safe back home. He's too good a sort for our country to lose. R. C. Conner, nurse at the Settlement House, 10 Mott Street, tells the tale and vouches for his truth, exhibiting Nellie for further confirmation.

Nellie belongs to the sad bad past of Chinatown, when the streets reeked with the stench of opium and no plainclothes man to bother the fantan gamblers. In those times Nellie left the farm or whatever she was born and wandered into the most evil quarter of the great and wicked city. Worse than that, she took up with Ven Shi Gertie, the opium fiend and wife of a tong man by virtue of a marriage certificate issued several years before she was born. Gertie dragged her down and down and down. Her soul within her may have died, too, to follow out the song. Her sleek black fur was altered at any rate, through the medium of the same bottle which had changed Gertie's hair from brown to flaming auburn. She became a peroxide blonde.

The cat did not stop there. She went from bad to worse. Her mistress used to puff the dope smoke into her face. At first Nellie sneezed. Later she in-



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CARDINAL FARLEY DODGING A PHOTOGRAPHER ON HIS SEVENTY-THIRD BIRTHDAY.

CARDINAL FARLEY 73

Pope Congratulates Him on Anniversary Day of Birth.

Cardinal John M. Farley was seventy-three years old yesterday. The day was marked by no special celebration, his eminence preferring to spend it as nearly as possible as he spends the other days of the year. The nearest approach to a celebration was the entertainment of Monsignors Mooney, Lavelle and Edwards, the vicars general of the archdiocese, at dinner.

The Cardinal motored to Dunwoodie Seminary in the morning, where he said mass for the students and assisted in the closing of the forty hours devotion. On his return he found a few old friends awaiting him, and a large number of greetings and telegrams of congratulations and wishes for continued good health, including, it is understood, one from his holiness Benedict XV. None of these messages was made public.

GATEMAN SAVES TWO

Cyclist and Girl Hurdled in Front of Train.

A flagman waving a red lantern stopped a train where the Hempstead Turnpike crosses the tracks in Queens last night and saved the lives of two motorcyclists—Fredrick Pumoner, of 623 Cooper Avenue, Glendale, and Miss Ismah Hanatek, a chorus girl, who lives next door to Pumoner.

The pair were riding tandem and did not notice that the gateman had turned his face toward them. Pumoner was unable to check the speed of the machine. It crashed into the gates, hurling both several feet on to the tracks.

Miss Hanatek received cuts about the face. Pumoner's chin and face were cut and two of his ribs were broken.

'Suffragette' Now War Paper.

"The Suffragette," the weekly organ of Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst's organization, the Women's Social and Political Union, which suspended publication on the outbreak of the war, made its reappearance on Friday, April 16. As before, it will be edited by Miss Christabel Pankhurst. "The Suffragette" will now be not merely a militant suffrage organ, but a military one. Miss Pankhurst announces that the paper will deal with the war situation and will oppose various suggestions of compromise with the enemy, which, if adopted, would merely perpetuate the danger now threatening the freedom of Europe."

TAINTED PAST OF THIS CAT TINTS GRANDCHILDREN'S FUR

Peroxide Nellie's Descendants Streaked with Yellow, Just as She Was in the Sad, Bad Days of Chinatown Before Her Reclamation from Opium Habit.

Eugenists and heredity, give ear to the story of Peroxide Nellie, the opium cat. Miss Mary Williams, nurse at the Settlement House, 10 Mott Street, tells the tale and vouches for his truth, exhibiting Nellie for further confirmation.

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DR. MONTESSORI AIMS TO AID POOR

Italian Educator Says Their Children Are More Eager to Learn.

PUPILS HERE TELL OF THEIR PROGRESS

Teacher Amazed by Develop- ment to Thirty Schools in City.

By HENRIETTA RODMAN.
Yesterday the Dottressa Maria Montessori held the first conference with her pupils in America. It was at the Children's House, 520 East Seventy-seventh Street. The Children's House, one of the thirty Montessori schools which have sprung up in New York during the last three years.

The conference was impressive. The great Italian teacher greeted her pupils, her disciples, if you like, with delight and apparent amazement at the development of their work in New York.

"This beautiful house of the children!" she cried. "You have so much here! In Italy we cannot give the children all this, we have it not to give, but little is much when children are free."

In the districts which have been devastated by the earthquake twelve schools have been established.

"I have now developed a method of educating children from five to ten years old. By it they learn reading, writing, arithmetic very easily—but especially nature, science, the languages. Then they are ready to enter the high schools. I believe you call it. Two years are saved in the school life of every child."

"My elementary methods have been put into sixteen schools in Italy. Signorini Macaroni is training teachers among opening schools in Spain."

Miss Annie George, who introduced Dr. Montessori's work into this community, asked how Montessori teachers in the United States could learn the method of her pupils.

"Signorina Fidele might come here and supervise the elementary classes which you form."

"Do you, Dottressa," exclaimed Margaret Naumberg, "why won't you stay and help us?"

Dr. Montessori didn't say she would, but I noticed particularly that she didn't say she wouldn't. She is now on her way to California, where she will give a four months' course in Montessori methods in Los Angeles and San Diego. Her latest book, describing her work with older children, will be published in the fall.

"Now, that is all my news, and I want to hear what you are doing. I want always to keep in close touch with you and with your work. Tell me what you are doing."

Mrs. A. Reno Margulies, of 534 West 187th Street, told of her work with deaf and backward children. Miss George spoke of hers.

"Ah," said Dr. Montessori, "but are you not working with the children of the well-to-do? Tell me what you are doing for the children of the poor."

Miss Zoë Bateman, secretary of the Montessori Association, explained that the Children's House in which the conference was held was a free school, supported by contributions from the public.

"We have just secured permission to establish a children's school. It was only possible because of the enthusiasm of the principal, Simon Hirsandansky, for Dr. Montessori's work."

"Until the work is developed by the Board of Education it cannot be carried on in Public School A. It is only for teachers must live as well as teach."

"It is easier to teach the children of the poor," said Dr. Montessori. "They are more eager to learn."

"Oh, no," cried the pupils in chorus. "The children who have better homes, better food and better care learn much faster than the poorer children."

"I had a group of poor children last winter, and a group of well-to-do children," said Margaret Naumberg, "and the latter learned in six weeks more than the former learned in a year."

WOMAN DIES AT GAME

Seventh Inning at the Polo Grounds Fatal to Spectator.

During the seventh inning of the Polo Grounds game at the Polo Grounds yesterday afternoon Mrs. Suzanne Wisnosky, of Cincinnati, dropped dead in the grandstand. Fans who heard the woman scream called Dr. Oscar Weiss, of 22 West Forty-third Street, who looks after the Giants. He said near death had caused death.

She had lived at the Hotel Edgemoor since October, when her husband, Edward Wisnosky, entered the city by way of a contracting firm in this city. They have a son, eighteen.

TO HAVE NEW HOME

Shaaray Tefila Members to Extend Social Service Work.

Dr. Stephen S. Wise last night signed a movement to raise several thousand dollars for a social service center in connection with the work of the Sisterhood of Temple Shaaray Tefila is doing. The occasion was the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the temple, which is one of the oldest in the United States.

Dr. Wise paid a tribute to the Rev. Dr. de Sola Mendes, the rabbi of the synagogue for the last forty years. Dr. de Sola Mendes, who is now in the hospital, which is one of the oldest in the building of a great structure which would rival any church or temple in this city.

The sisterhood, which is doing charitable work in a district which extends from the Battery to 119th Street, was complimented on its social service by the president of the United Hebrew Charities, Leopold Plant. Mrs. Samuel Elkes, president of the Federation of Jewish Sisterhoods of New York, praised the record of the Shaaray Tefila Sisterhood for the last quarter of a century.

Phi Beta Kappa Elects Eleven.

Eleven men were elected members of Phi Beta Kappa at New York University yesterday. Two of these were Juniors, while the rest were Seniors. Those elected were: William W. Tallman, New York; Paul Reznickoff, Brooklyn; A. P. Lewin, Newark; William L. Wright, Dobbs Ferry; Chas. J. Marra, Brooklyn; Bertram Saul, Astoria, Long Island; Charles H. Noxon, New York; Arthur Apman, Jersey City; Morris E. Pike, New York; Edward E. Gardner, Jersey City; William Sulzer, Yonkers. William W. Tallman headed the list with an average of 94.76, out of a possible 95.

Boy at Play Killed by Truck.

While playing tag with his brother, Harry Isenberg, seven years old, of 173 Alabama Avenue, East New York, ran in the path of a three-ton auto truck. Before the chauffeur, Thomas Peck, of 4064 Third Avenue, Brooklyn, could bring the machine to a stop the child was crushed to death.

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BURLINGAME HOLDS UP REFORM BILL

Brooklyn Senator Prevents In- troduction of Court Improve- ment Measure.

(From a Staff Correspondent of the Tribune.)
Albany, April 20.—One man stood out against the people of the city of New York, represented in the Legislature and by men and women associated with philanthropic institutions and refused to permit the judicial reform measure to be introduced in the Senate to-day. He was Senator Alvah Burlingame, of Brooklyn, whose chief act before to-day was to lead the fight in favor of the Lockwood-Ellenbogen bill destroying the safeguards around the poor in tenement houses, factories and sweatshops in New York.

Senator Burlingame denied that he opposed the introduction of the bill because it would wipe out the office of Chief Magistrate in Brooklyn, for which one of his friends in the Assembly is angling. He said he did not know what the bill contained.

"This is no time for reforms," he said.

The bill was introduced by Senator Ogden L. Mills, of New York. It provides for the establishment of a separate Children's Court and a Departmental Court and consolidates the Magistrates' Courts of the First and Second districts. It also provides that all misdemeanors now sent to Special Sessions, after they have been tried in the Magistrate's Court, shall be disposed of by the magistrate.

This last reform has been fought for years. Shyster lawyers have been the sole beneficiaries of the present provision of the inferior court's act. It has enabled them, after trying the case in the Magistrate's Court to bribe off, or spirit away, the complaining witnesses.

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