

URGES EDUCATION OF FOREIGN-BORN

Instruct Parents as Well as Children, Scranton School Head Advises

NEW STUDIES PROPOSED

Sweeping Changes in School Courses Recommended at State Meeting

Special Dispatch to Evening Public Ledger Harrisburg, Jan. 2.—"The war was another blessing in disguise because it served to lay bare the heart-ache of America," said S. E. Weber, superintendent of the public schools of Scranton and president of the Pennsylvania State Educational Association, addressing the annual convention of the association here last night.

"Nineteen-twentieths of our foreign population came from the countries engaged in the recent struggle," said Doctor Weber. "They contributed one-fourth of the fighting strength of this country. How remarkable their loyalty to the land of their adoption!"

Doctor Weber declared that one-third of the aliens in the first draft were unable to speak the English language. "In the light of our recent experiences caused by the handicap of language," said the Scranton educator, "shall we not agree among ourselves as a common country, a common State, a common community, that hereafter the language of instruction in the common branches in the elementary school, both private and public, shall be the English language—the chosen medium of expression of the entire country?"

Would Americanize Parents Dr. Weber would Americanize the foreign-born father and mother as well as the child. He would encourage the attendance of the foreign-born mothers at night schools and afternoon classes. Sweeping changes, characterized by some of the educators here as radical, were recommended yesterday. The question of the re-education of the State's disabled soldiers was taken up, and representatives of the United States, England and France discussed the after-war programs, national, moral, social and educational.

Thomas C. Blaisdell, dean of the School of Liberal Arts to State College, reported for the committee that had been appointed to map out a high school program of study. His report contained changes in the high school curriculum.

It is suggested in the report that eight new required academic studies be adopted, and that physical education find a study of home-making be the other required subjects. The dean declared that only 480 boys out of 100,000 in high school are studying economics, and that this should be a required subject. Personal hygiene also is not receiving much attention, and should be given in every high school. He said that as a result of the fall into State College, attention to the study of hygiene, the physical condition of the young men of the country is not of the best. Other subjects he suggests that should be adopted as required courses are: Sociology, vocational and moral guidance in the selection of a life work, home-making and parenthood, ethics, general science, modern chemistry and physics, as applied to the home rather than as applied to science itself, civics, and four years of physical training.

Some of these are already being taken in some schools, he said, but with them required all over the State, the relation between colleges and high schools would be much better. He made this report at the high school conference.

RECORD SOFT COAL OUTPUT

Nation's War Need Met—No Future Shortage

Washington, Jan. 2.—Bituminous coal production in the United States for the year just closed broke all records. The total output for 1918 is estimated by the National Coal Association at \$47,500,000 tons, an increase of approximately 38,000,000 tons, or nearly 7 percent over the production of 1917. The association's estimate, just made public, is based upon official figures of the United States Geological Survey, supplemented by the association's own computation for that period of the year not yet recorded by the Government.

The nation's wartime demand for coal, the heaviest in the country's history, has been met in full, for the mining of this banner tonnage during 1918 virtually insured the country against a repetition of the shortage of bituminous coal experienced last winter.

The year's record tonnage also has been mined at a far fewer monetary cost than during 1917. Reports indicate that not less than 100,000 mine-employees entered the military and naval service during the year.

TO PUNISH SAILOR RIOTERS

One Killed and Several Injured in Norfolk Disorders

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 2.—(By A. P.)—Announcement is made here that the Navy Department has ordered an investigation by a board of inquiry into the rioting here early yesterday morning by sailors and soldiers, in which one sailor was killed and several others injured.

Naval officers said that sailors guilty of inciting or participating in the riot would be court-martialed and dishonorably discharged from the service, after which they probably would be turned over to the civil authorities for trial under State laws.

Norfolk was quiet last night and, with extra naval guards patrolling the streets, no further trouble was anticipated.

SOLDIERS FAIL POLICE TEST

Three Unable to Fill Requirements on Hazleton Force

Hazleton, Pa., Jan. 2.—Soldiers may be able to carry a gun and use a bayonet, but three who tried to get on the Hazleton police force could not meet the physical requirements to wield a policeman's club. Among the applicants for vacancies on the local board none of the discharged army service men could qualify and the seven vacancies will be filled from eligibles in civil life.

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EVENING LEDGER MAN DESIGNS LIBERTY DIVISION INSIGNIA

Carl Zeisberg, Formerly With This Newspaper, Says Seventy-ninth Will Visit Poland and Kiel Before Embarking for Home

The pen and ink are certainly mightier than the machine gun when it comes to designing insignia for a United States army division, although it can't be denied that the gun is more effective in tattooing a U. S. A. American insignia, or, as it were, trademark, on the hide of a German.

Carl Franz Ludwig Zeisberg, formerly of the Evening Public Ledger staff, went to France with the Seventy-ninth Division, "The Liberty Division," and after seeing some action as a member of Company F, 16th Infantry, was put in the intelligence bureau and attached to the division headquarters.

There he had no chance to fight, but after he had demonstrated his artistic ability in mapmaking and sketching and other intelligence work, he was called upon to design the insignia of the division, which every member of it is entitled to wear on his left arm.

The insignia is a Lorraine cross in gray, superimposed on a dark blue shield, the shield having a narrow gray border.

Zeisberg tells of the new insignia in a letter to a friend in Philadelphia. It is a long, long way to the U. S. A. for the Seventy-ninth, according to Zeisberg, who says the present schedule of the division calls for visits to Poland and Kiel and possibly other places before sailing for home.

The Seventy-ninth is composed of selected men from Philadelphia, Eastern and Central Pennsylvania, Maryland and the District of Columbia. It was trained at Camp Meade and sailed for France July 7, 1918.

JOY OVER AMERICANS IN ALSACE-LORRAINE

Letter Received by Philadelphia Woman First From Relatives in Four Years

After four years of constant anxiety over the welfare of her brother and other relatives living in Alsace-Lorraine, Mrs. Harry Jacobs, 2263 North Thirtieth street, has finally received communications from them, written on the day of the arrival of the first Allied forces into the territory vacated by the Germans according to the armistice terms.

The writer, the Rev. Alexander Block, Gussenheim, Alsace, states that the arrival of the Allies produced a celebration in war-torn Lorraine that has never been equaled. "The French and English were awarded joyous greetings, but the coming of the Americans caused the population to go wild, and words will never express the varied emotions of the natives," he wrote.

Julius Block, son of the Rev. Mr. Block, was in Brussels at the outbreak of war and could not return to his home and had his choice of either joining the German army or taking flight into France. He chose the latter course and for many months after his parents were unable to hear from him. It appears, according to Mrs. Jacobs, that the father was placed in prison by the Germans, owing to the son's failure to report for duty in the German army and suffered many cruelties.

The letter also contained descriptions of many home cruelties. It also refers to the exorbitant prices charged for food by the Germans to the resident people. After paying large sums for ordinary food the Germans, in many cases, arrested the purchasers, retook the food and fined the unfortunate in the bargain.

Mrs. Jacobs has also received a picture from her family, which shows the entrance of the Allies into Colmar, a large railway center and manufacturing city in Alsace-Lorraine.

NEGROES CELEBRATE LIBERTY 500 Hear Emancipation Proclamation at Academy Meeting

The Liberty celebration, held under the auspices of the allied negro organizations of this city last night in the Academy of Music, was attended by 500 negroes, who crowded the vast auditorium from pit to gallery.

The celebration also marked the 50th anniversary of the negro in America and the fifty-sixth anniversary of the emancipation of the slaves in this country.

Grant Williams, president of the citizens' committee, introduced Charles H. Brooks as master of ceremonies, and a spirit of intense patriotism pervaded the affair.

The Emancipation Proclamation was read by Mrs. Lena Walker Bryan, and the declaration of the celebrants was read by the Rev. T. D. Atkins, pastor of Mount Carmel Baptist Church.

Prof. William Pickens, dean of Morgan College, Baltimore, Md., and John C. Daney, ex-Recorder of Deeds, Washington, were the principal speakers.

WOMAN DEFEATS LIEBKNECHT Rosa Luxemburg Carries Spartan Congress With Her

Copenhagen, Jan. 2.—(By A. P.)—Dr. Karl Liebknecht was given a sharp defeat in the Spartan congress at Berlin on Tuesday, according to advices received here.

Dr. Liebknecht advocated participation by the Spartacists in the national assembly on the ground that the party might be able to influence the composition of the assembly.

Rosa Luxemburg, one of the Spartacist leaders, replied in a violent speech, declaring, amid thunderous applause, that "the meeting of the national assembly must be prevented at all costs."

Dr. Liebknecht's proposal was rejected by a vote of 64 to 23.

Delaware Town Has Epidemic Wilmington, Del., Jan. 2.—Half the population of St. George's hamlet near Delaware City has been stricken with the recurrence of epidemic influenza, seventy-five persons out of a population of about 150 being ill with the malady.



DARLINGTON'S January White Sale

An annual event always eagerly awaited by the patrons of this store and planned this year on a larger scale than ever before. The items mentioned in this advertisement are but a part of those included in the sale, and we invite you to inspect our stocks before making any selection of Muslin Underwear, Linens or White Piece Goods such as Nainsook, Long Cloth, and the like. We believe you will find that you can buy very advantageously here.

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Maids' Aprons at \$1.10 Lawn Aprons, round, edged with 3-inch ruffle of embroidery, plain bib and shoulder straps.

Bloomers at 95c Pink Cotton Crepe Bloomers; cut full and reinforced; finished with ruffles.

Bloomers at \$3.65 Washable Satin Bloomers, pink; hem-stitched ruffles; made from satin of good grade and well finished.

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"BUTCH" McDEVITT WRITES OF HIS 1918 ACHIEVEMENTS

Former "Millionaire for Day" Says He Confered With President and Cabinet, Winding Up Year With Two Suits and Twenty-four Pair of Suspenders

Remember John Jay McDevitt, "millionaire for a day," "Butch" they call him.

Well, he's written about his career during 1918, which, he argues, was one of the most eventful years of his life. Here are some of his "high spots," which make interesting reading for those who like to delve into volumes of the "Who's Who" to get "neep" to the great—and the near—great.

"I began the New Year with \$100 in bank, seven Liberty Bonds, two of them presented, turned out to be no good.

"I had two suits of clothes, which cost me \$25, one necktie, two suits of underwear, and that of a night shirt, six pair of hose, and a pair of shoes, and twenty-four pairs of policemen's suspenders, the gifts of my immediate family for the same number of years.

"During the year I attended one hundred and sixty dinners, banquets, social and other receptions, smoke at each, and might add that in almost every instance my oratory was of the highest order. I dined with some of the country's most prominent citizens, including Charles Schwab, Admiral Bowles, Edward N. Hurley, Charles Evans Hughes and ex-President Taft. Met Dr. Morris Stern, of this city, and would have met Mayor Smith, but was very busy the day he called.

"Had a conference with President Wilson, nothing serious, and spent a few minutes with Champ Clark, also Vice President Marshall; sat with a number of Cabinet members and got so accustomed to United States Senators that the novelty wore off.

"Offered myself to the cause but was rejected in all branches, worked for the Liberty Loan, and while so engaged met Mrs. Statesbury and Jack O'Brien.

"Attended church service twelve times and on two occasions delivered funeral orations. Occupied pulpit three different times and refereed a prize fight, un-

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