TEACHERS CALL FOR MORE PAY

Educational Association Asks Assembly for 25 Per Cent Increase

TO MEET HERE NEXT

Two Million Dollars More Wanted for Biennial Appropriations

Harrisburg, Jan. 3.—The Pennsylvania State Educational Association closed its sixty-ninth session here yesterday by unanimously recommending that the proposed bill giving all public school teachers an increase of 25 per cent in salaries be passed; that legislative appropriations be provided for the carrying out of the retirement-fund plan, and that the biennial school appropriation be increased from $18,000,000 to $20,000,000. Dr. Frederick E. Downes, superintendent at Harrisburg, was unanimously elected president, and the association decided to hold its next meeting in Philadelphia next December.

Marcus Aaron, vice president of the Pittsburgh Board of Public Education, said teachers cannot live on the salaries being paid at present and that many are dropping out of the profession. He continued:

"It is the teachers who have made the United States what it is today, and what have they received as a reward for their work? A cup of hemlock and a crown of thorns is the only thing they have received for their splendid service, and it is now the duty of the State to uphold its name as a leader in public improvements to lead the way in the payment of decent wages to instructors."

Hit Hard by H. C. of L.

The educational council presented to the conference figures showing that the retail prices of commodities had advanced 99 per cent during the last few years and teachers' salaries 35 per cent for male teachers and 29 for women. The wholesale cost of 294 commodities, it was stated, had advanced 87 per cent since 1915.

The following table shows the average of teachers' salaries in the State's principal cities, the 1914 average being contrasted with those of 1917 and 1918:

	1914	—MEN— 1917	1918	—WOMEN— 1914	1917	1918
Philadelphia	141.00	152.00	166.70	85.00	92.14	95.16
Pittsburgh	127.81	175.00	172.58	78.50	95.50	95.64
Scranton	121.29	129.03	143.80	68.06	85.85	75.41
Reading	116.03	127.87	135.19	62.34	59.12	70.60
Harrisburg	134.17	131.87	130.74	67.37	75.42	84.36
Wilkes-Barre	119.64	123.75	146.39	63.54	66.97	78.13
Altoona	122.54	120.78	127.85	60.46	72.75	67.67
Johnstown	118.85	120.50	131.04	70.61	75.25	78.93
Allentown	85.74	107.50	116.36	53.27	72.50	85.29
Lancaster	106.05	106.20	108.00	61.95	68.19	69.55
Chester	105.29	109.25	113.12	56.27	65.50	68.33
Erie	148.07	147.70	153.60	65.04	87.94	77.86
McKeesport	153.00	140.00	165.74	69.29	80.00	83.10
York	91.50	94.10	105.00	58.83	65.50	69.00
Williamsport	102.62	112.50	130.42	65.52	66.50	72.85
New Castle	115.62	118.00	127.49	62.19	62.25	69.48
Easton	108.13	102.12	107.28	58.10	58.00	65.86
Norristown	115.07	114.82	120.00	61.73	62.21	63.46
Hazleton	90.22	97.50	108.03	57.29	60.00	66.49
Lebanon	91.95	89.74	96.68	56.55	57.97	66.25

State-wide Quarantine Condemned

The general session adversely criticized the establishment of a State-wide quarantine in times of epidemics. "We condemn," the teachers decided, "State-wide quarantine and indiscriminate closing of schools where adequate medical inspection and supervision are provided. We suggest rather a strict quarantine of individuals who are afflicted with communicable disease," adding in another resolution that "the Department of Public Instruction be asked to give general publicity to its ruling in regard to the effect of the time lost during the influenza quarantine upon the classification of schools in the districts of the various classes as to the distribution of school funds."

Another resolution indorses American propaganda in these words:

"That since in these days of world reconstruction, not only the practice but the preaching of the American doctrine is necessary to save representative democracy from the radical forces which destroy it; therefore, this association indorses the pro-American propaganda of the National Security League, and enrolls for its free propaganda service."

School Houses as Memorials

Henry E. Jackson, of the United States Department of Education, urged the building of school houses as memorials to heroes in the present war instead of the erection of statues.

In reading the memorial records of the association it was shown that twenty-nine teachers have been killed in the present war, while a great many more have been wounded. More than 100 teachers died of the influenza. The total number of deaths for the year was 196.

It was shown that there are 15,061 teachers in the association, not counting eleven counties and twenty-seven cities and boroughs that have not reported. Philadelphia has 1000 teachers in the organization.

Other officers elected in addition to Doctor Downes are:

Dr. S. E. Weber, retiring president, first vice president; Mrs. Walla May MacDonald, Chester, second vice president; J. P. McKaskey, Lancaster, secretary; John C. Wagner, Carlisle, treasurer; Miss Alma G. Rice, Slippery Rock, member of the executive committee; Dr. R. P. Graves, University of Pennsylvania, member of education committee.

INFLUENZA IN MEDIA JAIL

Disease Causes Judge to Order Adjournment of Regular Term

Media, Pa., Jan. 3.—Judge Johnson adjourned criminal court yesterday afternoon because of a case of influenza in the county jail. He said that he did not want to subject witnesses and others to contracting the disease by reason of the presence of prisoners from the jail. All criminal cases were continued for the term.

There are seven cases of influenza in the jail. Warden George W. Allen and Dr. J. Harvey Pennfield, prison physician, have established a temporary hospital in the jail. A nurse has been employed and all patients have been isolated.

White House Reopened to Visitors

Washington, Jan. 3.—(By A. P.)—After being closed to the public for nearly two years because of the war the White House was reopened to visitors today to allow war workers and soldiers a chance to see the historic mansion.

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Insurance Agents Decide to Urge Men to Hold U. S. Policies

Atlantic City, Jan. 3.—Middle Atlantic and New England general agents of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company with general headquarters in Milwaukee, defined the attitude of the big mutual companies of the country with respect to Government war-risk insurance, in convention here, when they recommended that the more than 2,000,000 fighting men holding Federal policies be advised to continue their contracts with the Government.

When the time now fixed at five years arrives for the Government's insurance patrons to convert their policies to a basis of permanent protection, the companies will be in a much more favorable position to compete, for the reason that the Government will have to do business upon the same actuarial basis as the mutual concerns.

ACTS ON FIREMEN'S STRIKE

Cleveland's Mayor Closes Engine Houses and Arranges Special Alarms

Cleveland, O., Jan. 3. — Orders by Mayor Harry L. Davis for the immediate shutting down of several fire engine houses, readjustment of insurance liability because of the increased hazard, receipt of fifty applications for jobs as firemen, and the placing of all fires on the basis of special alarm schedules, were the developments yesterday in the city firemen's enforcement of the eight-hour day provision.

Since Tuesday night, when the firemen put the eight-hour schedule in effect, only three or four men have been on duty in engine houses that formerly had from eight to twelve men.

ACQUITTED OF SON'S DEATH

Jury Frees Old Marcus Hook Man Despite Dying Statement

Media, Pa., Jan. 3.—Robert Armstrong, aged seventy-seven years, was acquitted by a jury in the Criminal Court of a charge of killing his son, Robert, Jr., on April 14, in Marcus Hook. The old man, who has but one eye, testified that he did not kill his son, but that the son assaulted him and in the struggle both fell, the son falling on a butcher knife which the father held in one hand.

The dying statement of Robert Armstrong, Jr., was admitted as evidence and read to the jury by Assistant District Attorney Taylor. In it the son said his father struck him after an argument and stabbed him with a knife while both men were standing in the hallway of their home.

AUTOS AND TROLLEY KILL ONE, INJURE FIVE

Woman Run Down by Motortruck in Front of Home. Driver Surrenders

One woman was killed and five other persons injured as the result of trolley and automobile accidents last night.

Mrs. Mary Schmidt, fifty-nine years old, of 3870 Germantown avenue, was run down and killed by a motortruck as she was crossing the street in front of her home. She was pronounced dead at the Samaritan Hospital. John Nagley, Uber street above Rockland, the driver, surrendered to the police and will be arraigned today before Magistrate Wrigley.

When his overcoat caught in the rear wheels of a passing automobile last night at Seventeenth and Market streets, John Spink, fifty years old, of 2810 Poplar street, was thrown and dragged several squares.

Herman Lloyd, driver of the automobile, dragged Spink three blocks before he was stopped at the point of a revolver by Patrolman Brady, attached to the Fifteenth and Vine streets station house. Lloyd escaped in the crowd, but was later arrested. Spink is in a critical condition at the Hahnemann Hospital.

Miss Josephine Reany, thirty-one years old, of 1450 Sparks street, is in the Jewish Hospital suffering from concussion of the brain and other injuries, the result of being struck by an automobile at Sparks street and Old York road. Mrs. G. B. P. Jones, of Oak Lane, the driver of the car, was arrested and will be arraigned before Magistrate Pennock today. Mrs. Jones said she did not know she had struck any one until Schaeffer, a policeman, noticed Miss Reany lying on the running board of the machine.

The police are looking for the driver of the automobile which ran down Nathan S. Iarge, seventy-one years old, a repairman of the electrical bureau, while on the way to his home, 41 West Upsal street. He is in a critical condition in St. Luke's Hospital.

Two men were injured last night at Fourth and Wharton streets when they were knocked down by a trolley car. The men were Abraham Feinstein, thirty-five years old, 2544 South Ninth street, and Isaac Kroener, thirty-seven years old, 1141 South Fifth street. Both were taken to Mount Sinai Hospital.

MISCHA ELMAN ILL

Absent From New York Concert Because of Influenza

New York, Jan. 3.—At the second subscription concert of the Russian Symphony Orchestra yesterday afternoon in Carnegie Hall, Mischa Elman was to have played Dvorak's violin concerto, but was prevented by a sudden attack of influenza.

In his place Wassily Besekirsky, concert master of the orchestra, played Saint-Saens's "Havanaise."

GE'NEROUS GIFT TO CHARITY

Reading Business Man Offers to Build $10,000 Cottage

Reading, Pa., Jan. 3.—Through the Rev. J. F. Moyer, pastor of the First Reformed Church, D. Weillington Dietrich, a Reading business man, has made an offer to the Bethany Orphans' Home at Womelsdorf, to erect a cottage at a cost of $10,000. On Christmas Mr. Dietrich presented the First Reformed Church with a gift of $1000. A year ago he donated $6500 to the congregation for a new pipe organ.

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NEIGHBOR SUES POTTSVILLE

Mechanicsville Demands Paving of Street Between Two Towns

Pottsville, Pa., Jan. 3.—Action has been brought by Mechanicsville borough officials against Pottsville city officials before District Attorney Whitehouse to compel Pottsville to pave the street connecting the two towns. The complaint says Pottsville officials force Mechanicsville residents to walk through mud to reach Pottsville. Mechanicsville has compelled its residents to pave the street to the Pottsvile line.

Appeals to Pottsville City Councilmen have been fruitless in having the same action taken in this city, and now they will be proceeded against for neglect of duty under the Clark act.

Soldiers Released by Germans

Three Philadelphians serving with the American expeditionary forces have been released from the German prison camp at Rastatt, the War Department reported today. They are: Albino Clancilill, 817 South Seventh street; William Filiwicz, Philadelphia, and Aaron Leister, 3526 North Mascher street.

Bucks Historical Society to Meet

Doylestown, Pa., Jan. 3.—The Bucks County Historical Society will meet in annual session here Saturday, January 18. "Notes on Ancient Mills of Norse Pattern in New England and Colonial Bucks County," will be read by F. H. Shelton, of Philadelphia.

LA GUARDIA WINS BRIDE

Helped Free Trieste and Now Will Wed Fair Native

New York, Jan. 3.—When Major Fiorello H. La Guardia, member of the National House of Representatives from the Fourteenth New York District and formerly a member of the American expeditionary force in Italy, learned of the signing of the armistice that guaranteed the return to Italy of her unredeemed provinces he felt that he had kept his promise, and immediately called upon Miss Thea Almerigotti to fulfil hers.

That is why the engagement of the aviator-Congressman and Miss Almerigotti was announced yesterday.

"Miss Almerigotti is from Trieste, in Italy's unredeemed province," Major La Guardia explained. "So I could not win her until I had helped free her land from Austria."

MONONGAHELA AT FLOOD

Greater Part of Business Section Now Under Water

Brownsville, Pa., Jan. 3.—With 400 dwellings and business houses partly submerged and the greater part of the business section under water, this city today was experiencing the worst flood since 1907. The Monongahela River at 2 o'clock this afternoon had reached a stage of forty-one feet, nine feet above the flood stage, and was rising rapidly.

Hundreds of persons, who fled to second floors of their homes when the water began to rise last night, were rescued in boats this morning.

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Deborah Logan

STRAWBERRIES! Strawberries! Red, ripe strawberries! Summer has not come, but these beautiful harbingers from the South have arrived at Henry R. Hallowell & Son's, Broad below Chestnut street, and serve as reminders that while the Hallowells are caring for our wants seasons are matters of no importance. It was Plant City, Fla., that sent this lot of large, luscious berries speeding northward, packed in individual refrigerators holding each a hundred quarts, and so well are they cared for that they come out of their crates as firm and fresh as when put in, three days before. Last year the Florida crop was spoiled by the record-breaking "freeze" which swept all corners of the country; this winter better luck is hoped for, and though scarce, they are all that is desired in quality.

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EVERY day more and more men in uniform are to be seen about town, and while many will stick to "olive drab" as long as the law allows, the majority are refitting before seeking new positions. Fortunately this is the season of the year in which all clothing shops are reducing goods, and at William H. Wanamaker's, 1217-19 Chestnut street, Overcoats, Ulsters and Ulsterettes have been specially priced. The Overcoats are double-breasted and close-fitting skirt models, with welted seams around the waist, and the high waist line, which gives a decidedly military effect. The Ulsters and Ulsterettes, in all the popular materials, are double-breasted, loose-fitting coats, with half belts and five-inch storm collars; some lined full length, others part way, with satin, shepherd's plaid or quilted satin.

OFTEN we ponder upon the inconveniences our ancestors put up with, especially marveling how they managed to exist without electricity or gas, yet when we wish to be particularly dainty and luxurious we abandon the hard glare of modern lights and go back to the soft glow of candles. What dinner table looks properly set without them? No matter how well spread, unless sterling silver candlesticks grace the board an indefinable something is lacking. All hostesses feel this and either own, or hope to own, these beautiful table accessories, and at Bailey, Banks & Biddle Company there is a large collection to choose from. All the favorite patterns are there in any size, from 8½ to 22 inches high, four candlesticks making the complete set, though often only a pair is sold.

CUSTOM (or is it habit?) has long set aside January for White Sales, and this year at B. F. Dewees, 1122 Chestnut street, there will be unusual opportunities during the entire month to replenish at better values than has been possible for some time. The garments on sale were purchased when raw cotton was lower than it is today, and in consequence can now be offered at prices advantageous to the customer. The designs are most refined and the quality of materials such as was used when underwear was made at home, and not bought ready made. All needed articles are, or will be, found there from day to day, especially nightgowns and envelope chemise, in nainsook and fine cambric, and no woman who appreciates dainty lingerie should fail to pay Dewees a visit.

SHAH ABBAS, the most revered of Persian monarchs, whose glorious reign ended in the first quarter of the seventeenth century, has given his name to a certain type of very fine Oriental rugs made in Asia Minor, in which the most beautiful and at the same time intricate of Persian designs is used. The pattern is conventional floral in character, with the palm-leaf motif conspicuously showing and little running vines connecting the whole. Among the large collection at Fritz & La Rue, 1124 Chestnut street, there are many handsome specimens of Shah Abbas, which come in the softest and most artistic colorings suitable for bedrooms, drawing rooms or libraries. One exquisite example has a mulberry field well covered with figures in the most beautiful shades of old ivory, green and blue.

HOW many years do you suppose will elapse before we are again allowed to buy coal ad libitum? There are no present indications that it will be soon, and in the meantime other ways of heating must be resorted to. At the House-furnishing Store of J. Franklin Miller, 1612 Chestnut street, there is a large variety of oil, gas or electric heaters, any or all of which will keep Jack Frost in his proper place, out, not indoors. The Perfection Oil Heaters, light and easy to carry around the house, burn very little oil. The Humphrey Radiantfire, especially adapted to fireplaces, are hygienic and odorless gas heaters that cost only two or three cents per hour to run, while the Hotpoint, Majestic and American Beauty Twin radiators are three excellent electric heaters.

A RUSHING business was done in Steinway pianos around Christmas, so much so that at N. Stetson & Co., 1111 Chestnut street, it was difficult to get them fast enough to fill orders, but now, though the demand still continues, the new stock is on hand, and the strain relieved. Many of the boys who are returning from abroad and from camps will be welcomed back in their old places in the Steinway factories; many new employes, too, will find work in their spacious shops, and none already engaged will be discharged. Work must and will be provided for all men from "over there," and the chances are their wages will be higher than ever before, so when you buy your splendid new Steinway you will know you are helping those who helped in time of need.

IN THESE days of high costs the announcement of a reduction sale is hailed with joy, but it is well to purchase only from houses whose standards of value and service inspire confidence, and such a firm is Jacob Reed's Sons, 1424-26 Chestnut street. Their long experience in business safeguards the buyer in the character and quality of his purchase, and also in the important factor of price—he buys value every time, and when it is a special sale, as the present one of Fur and Fur-lined Coats, he buys double value. The entire stock of the desirable Overcoats has been reduced one-half or one-third. In the fur coats are raccoon, silver fox, nutria, wombat and other skins, and the handsome fancy shell coats are lined with muskrat, with otter, beaver or Persian collars.

HAVE you ever tasted Holland Rusks, the dainty Dutch (?) toasted biscuits manufactured in Holland, Mich.? They are neither bread nor toast, and their recipe is a secret which has been handed down in the Arendshorsts family for 200 years. At E. Bradford Clarke Company, 1520 Chestnut street, they sell box after box, for they are most nutritious and easily assimilated by any one regardless of age or condition. Made in an immaculate factory, of fresh eggs, milk and cream, a most glutinous flour; baked and toasted to a rich golden brown; light, crisp and flaky, they are delicious as breakfast food or under a poached egg, and are good dry, better buttered—with coffee, tea or chocolate—and best with sliced bananas (or any other fruit in season) served with sugar and cream.

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