

URGES TAX AS BASIS FOR SCHOOL WAGES

Distribution of State Appropriation Discussed at Session Here

FAVOR TEACHERS' RISE

An increase in teachers' salaries based on the tax rate of school districts was advocated by Harlan Updegraff, professor of educational administration...

The present crisis regarding teachers' salaries has brought up anew the question of state aid for schools, not only as regards the purpose for which state aid should be granted...

Local Taxes Main Support

"Local taxes must be the main support of public schools. The amount to be spent for each function in the conduct of schools in each community should be determined by the local boards of education...

He also advocated five principles to determine the school appropriation by the state. They are:

First. The state should insist on the maintenance of minimum standards by the local districts before funds shall be transferred.

Second. The state should encourage local districts to undertake new enterprises by promising support.

Third. The amount of the school appropriation should be measured by the efforts exerted.

Fourth. State aid should equalize the educational burden among the various school districts.

Fifth. The state should equalize the various educational opportunities.

Limited State Aid "State aid should be limited to those districts which have the least amount of wealth," continued Professor Updegraff. "The state aid for schools should be fixed at any point, depending on the standard salaries of the teachers and the tax rate..."

Urgent need for the lowering of college entrance requirements were urged by Dr. G. Alvin Snook and Prof. Thomas H. Briggs...

Doctor Snook and Professor Briggs spoke before the section on high school principals this morning. Dr. William D. Lewis, principal of the William Penn High School, was the chairman.

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AUTOMOBILE VICTIM BURIED

Military Mass Celebrated for Private Thomas J. Trotter

Funeral services were held today for Private Thomas J. Trotter, 1618 North Third street, who was killed Monday by an automobile at Camp Dix, where he was waiting discharge from the army after serving overseas.

A military mass was celebrated at St. Michael's Church, Second and Jefferson streets, Kensington, Rev. Father Mundy officiated, assisted by Fathers Murphy and Hayward. Pallbearers were members of the Casual Company 1443, with which Trotter was returned to America. Some of the men who were in training with him at Camp Dix formed a special guard of honor. Burial was in the Holy Cross Cemetery.

Private Trotter enlisted in the National Guard soon after the war began and was sent overseas with the Iron Division. He was wounded twice, and returned to Camp Dix two weeks ago. He had been in the hospital there, convalescing from his wounds. He was knocked down and killed instantly last Monday when he stepped in front of an automobile.

PIONEERS ON WAY, VANGUARD AT N. Y.

52d, Cited for Courage Under Fire, Soon to Be Discharged

PHILA. OFFICER BACK

"Philadelphia has good reason to be proud of the splendid body of men it has sent to France to make up the Fifty-second Pioneer Infantry."

This was the opinion voiced by Lieutenant Colonel William E. Downes, second in command of the regiment, who returned with a vanguard, consisting of forty officers of the unit on the Holland American liner Rotterdam. All the officers, virtually every one of them representing a different locality in the country, shared the colonel's view and were anxious to know what arrangements had been made for the Fifty-second to parade in Philadelphia.

The men and officers on the Luckenbach will also go to Camp Dix. "There is no better way for me to tell what the troops did while in the front lines than to read the citation given to the Fifty-second by Major General Sumner, commander of the American Fifth Army Corps. It says:

"The officers and men of the regiment have exposed themselves fearlessly to the fire of the enemy. They have with coolness and courage repaired roads, buried dead, conducted prisoners of war, salvaged and refueled the battlefield under the fire of the enemy's guns."

"The regiment has reached a high standard of discipline and established a reputation for pioneer troops which should be emulated by similar organizations."

"The untiring efforts of the men of the command while opening up and repairing roads is highly commended and has materially aided in the successful prosecution of operations of the Fifth Army Corps."

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HEADS UP, THERE! WARE THE FOKKERS

Big "W" Loan Air Circus Fliers Will Careen Over City and Park This Afternoon

AIR-RAID AND PAPER BOMBS

German war planes will fly over Philadelphia this afternoon, giving battle to a squadron of American and French machines in an exact demonstration of aerial combat that is guaranteed by the Victory Loan committee to end in an Allied victory.

The occasion will be the invasion of this city by the "flying circus" that has started on a tour of the country for the Victory Loan, presenting daily exhibitions of the newest and most difficult of aerial maneuvers.

May Fly Over Baltimore The "flying circus" may hold its mimic air flights over two cities today. According to the plans of army officers as made public this morning, the German and Allied planes may fly to Baltimore after their "battle" over Philadelphia and stage some of their hair-raising stunts there, returning to this city and landing at Bustleton field by 4 o'clock.

The two German Fokkers which were captured in action will be flown this afternoon by Lieutenants George T. Wise, who holds three British citations for bravery, and Lieutenant James B. Roulet.

The one Philadelphia pilot who is among the flying men is Lieutenant George C. McDonald, of 6703 Lansdowne avenue. He will participate in the "battle of the clouds" which will be staged this afternoon.

An Italian war plane of the S. V. A. type will be exhibited here for the first time by Lieutenant L. Alberti Cantoni, of the Italian Flying Corps. This machine was one of a squadron during the war. Lieutenant Cantoni will attempt a number of difficult war maneuvers in it.

For the exhibition in this city two machines have been added to the original squadron. One of the new planes is a captured German Fokker that recently arrived in this country, and the second a French Spad shipped overseas after a victorious career over the battlefield in France. The rest of the squadron consists of three other German Fokkers captured by Americans in France and six machines of American make.

Start from Bustleton The flight will start from the aviation field at Bustleton at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Three machines of American make will swoop down on the center of the city and drop "bombs" of loan literature. These machines will be attacked by the four German Fokkers and driven off. The fast-flying Allied squadron will then give battle to the "enemy" planes. In this final combat over the city the Fokkers will be driven off. Major Henry J. F. Miller, commanding officer of the squadron, insists that the German machines must be captured and not wrecked, as the same planes have to be used in another exhibition to be given tomorrow in Baltimore, Md.

All the latest tricks of the air will be shown to Philadelphians during the "circus" this afternoon. The demonstration will last two hours, and an attempt is to be made to have the aerial war waged over Belmont Plateau in Fairmount Park, where the largest crowd is expected to gather. All the flyers will perform "stunts" over the park, and landings will be attempted if the wind is favorable.

Members of the Aero Club of Pennsylvania



MISS KATHERINE TIERNAN Who played the leading feminine role in the drama, "Robert Emmet," played by the Irish Players of Division No. 65, A. O. H., and Ladies' Auxiliary, Division No. 22, A. O. H., at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Thirty-eighth and Market streets, last evening

Major Miller is assisted in directing the "circus" by Captain R. G. Blake, assistant executive; Lieutenant Isaac Udy, engineer; Lieutenant Louis R. Burnett, medical officer, and Major Maurice Connelly, lecturer.

Captain Le Roy E. Gahris, the official government photographer with the "circus," will take various views of the aerial battle and of the city during the flight. His machine will be the first to land at Belmont Plateau.

QUEBEC "WET" VOTE GROWS Majority on Light Wines, Beer and Cider Reaches 110,000

Montreal, April 11.—(By A. P.)—With a large number of distant points in Quebec province yet to be heard from, the "wet" majority registered in the referendum yesterday in favor of light wines, beer and cider increased to 110,000 this morning.

The temperance leaders said today that while bony-dry prohibition had not been achieved, a substantial victory had been won; the people yesterday showing unmistakably, the "dry" declared, that they want "hard stuff" done away with.

By comparison, the articles in the new publication show the seeming lack of interest in the Philadelphia Orchestra by Philadelphians, while other cities throughout the country and Canada believe it to be the greatest organization of its kind in the world.

In New York, for instance, which boasts long and long of its "own," the entire lower tier of thirty-two boxes in Carnegie Hall for next year's concert has been sold out—in fact, over-subscribed a year in advance. So great is its popularity in Washington, that capacity houses heard the five concerts given last season, President Wilson or other members of the official family attending each one.

It is pointed out that 5700 persons attended the last two concerts in Pittsburgh, or 300 more than attend any two concerts given in this city, and that when Mr. Stokowski conducted Gustav Mahler's Eighth Symphony in New York in 1918, approximately 1000 persons stood during the single performance.

For the first time the publication tells the story of how two governments arranged to get the orchestra in Canada in February, 1918. The Toronto Mendelssohn Chorus, a world-renowned organization, wanted the orchestra for their annual festival. Priority orders, however, prevented it arranging its own rail transportation. The war board of the Dominion of Canada got busy with the director general of railroads and the order for a special train came through.

"Not in years has a visiting orchestra received such an ovation and created so profound an impression as did our own orchestra," the article declares.

The Philadelphia Orchestra Association, which is publishing the paper, is composed of Alexander Van Rensselaer, president; E. T. Stotesbury, vice president; Andrew Wheeler, secretary; Arthur E. Newbold, treasurer; Mr. Stokowski, conductor, and Arthur Judson, manager.

Temple for Scandinavians A Scandinavian temple will be built on property recently purchased at 1211 Girard avenue by members of the Scandinavian colony of this city, according to announcement today.

Troops Back From War and Homeward Bound ARRIVED Rotterdam, at New York from Brest, with 2287 army personnel, including 150 nurses of New Hospital No. 10, organized at Pennsylvania Hospital, Philadelphia, 31043 Supply Train Headquarters, medical detachment, companies C, D, E, and F, fifteen officers and 886 men; 32nd Machine Gun Battalion, complete, seven officers and 487 men; 31st Sanitary Train Headquarters, ten officers and 262 men; 31st Train Headquarters, four officers and twenty-three men; 31st Division Sanitary Battalion, complete, two officers and 180 men; Fifth Central Postal Directory, 400 officers and 1700 men; 18th Casual Company, New York, one officer and eighteen men; 132 nurses, seven civilians.

Powhatan, at Charleston, S. C., with 1430 officers and men, principally of the Thirtieth Division.

Turkisha, at New York from St. Nazaire, March 28, with ninety-seven army personnel.

Pannonia, at New York from Brest, March 28, with 1000 personnel.

Julia Luckenbach, at New York from Bordeaux, March 28, with 2708 men.

STOKOWSKI EXPLAINS WHY HE CAME HERE

Philadelphia Orchestra Conductor Contributes to His New Paper

Fritz Scheel is Lauded

The Philadelphia Orchestra is the first organization of its kind to publish its own "newspaper." The first issue of a four-page paper "published every once in a while" in the interests of the orchestra, was received today by the patrons and others interested in the orchestra.

Probably the most interesting article in the paper is "Why I Came to Philadelphia," under the signature of Leopold Stokowski, conductor of the orchestra. His reasons are as follows:

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AIR TAXIS TO FLY HERE FROM SHORE

Lieut. Charles Kerwood, a Philadelphia "Ace," One of Projectors of System

Atlantic City, April 11.—The Stechlin Air Service Corporation has laid plans for America's first "air taxi" system.

The incorporators are Lieutenant Joseph C. Stechlin, president, of Brooklyn, and Lieutenant Charles Kerwood, of Philadelphia, two "aces" of the Lafayette Escadrille, and Lieutenant Mark C. Hogue, of San Francisco, who has been in the American army for more than two years.

Lieutenant Stechlin has seven German machines to his credit, has been cited three times and received the Croix de Guerre, Lieutenant Kerwood has four planes officially to his credit and an escape from Germany is among his experiences. Both left this country in 1918 to enlist abroad.

It is estimated that the fare to Philadelphia will be \$40 and \$70 to New York. Other cities will be taken in as the demand warrants. The company was incorporated under the laws of New York and incorporates also have pilots' licenses from New Jersey.

A great field has been leased in Chelsea. Three ships of the Canadian war machines are already here. They can accommodate only one passenger each, but airplanes of a larger capacity will be added. The company was incorporated with a capital stock of \$50,000.

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