

Pitched Battles in Ruhr Region

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farm was assessed at \$5000 as recently awarded \$10,000 in damages for a small strip that was condemned for boulevard purposes. It is only one instance.

It is claimed that this board of assessors will equalize taxation as never before. It will force hundreds of wealthy tax dodgers to tell the honest-to-goodness truth and consequently lighten the load carried by thousands of overtaxed small farms.

London, March 22.—(By A. P.)—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Berlin says the United States diplomatic representative has informed the German government that it will be impossible for the United States to allow food supplies from abroad to enter any part of Germany where trouble prevails.

Coblentz, March 21. Delayed.—(By A. P.)—Three thousand persons were killed in the fighting at Leipsic before the government troops moved on to the city. According to statements made by three American business men who arrived here tonight from Leipsic, which place they left Saturday night.

There was a demonstration on March 14 in which thirty-six persons were killed. Then the workmen secured arms and street fighting was heavy until an armistice was arranged Wednesday (March 17) at noon. The armistice ran until noon on Thursday. A Saxon aviator flying over the city on Thursday was shot down by rifle fire.

Suffrage Sure to Win in Delaware

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Adopted After Fight
The New York expert who prepared the efficiency report did, perhaps, inject a few too many metropolitan ideas into his code, but anyhow the Legislature adopted it after a mighty hard fight.

Education is a very fine thing in the eyes of some of the Delaware folks, if like salvation, it is free. Or, at least, if it can be obtained at bargain prices, like A. Mitchell Palmer's chuck steaks.

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an A-J school system if the people would contribute another \$2,000,000. In addition, he offered to contribute \$500,000 to be devoted exclusively to the erection of negro schools. It was a wonderful proposition.

Repeat Likely to Fail
Now they are going to try to repeal the school code, but I am very strongly of the opinion that the reactionaries will fall down on the job. Petitions in favor of the repeal yards in length and containing thousands of names are to be presented to the Legislature.

Methodists Urge \$1300 for Pastors

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Judge had said to him that various legislators who voted for prohibition would vote now for light wines and beer, and in doing so would be making good a pledge they gave before voting for prohibition.

Reports From Boards
Reports were received from the Pennsylvania Seaman's Friend Society and the deaconess's board.

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There was a stir when Bishop Berry, at this morning's session, rose to a point of personal privilege and scored a speaker at yesterday's love feast who said "he was from New Jersey, and added that he was ashamed both of Governor Edwards and of the action of the New Jersey Conference in upholding worldly amusements.

Took Other Stands, He Holds
I presided at the New Jersey conference, and distinctly remember its action on amusements. This brother spoke in ignorance. The conference took the contrary position, standing steadfastly by the book of discipline.

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Dr. Van Cleve, who spoke in favor of doubling ministers' salaries as paid in 1914 if they were to be brought up to the prevailing living cost level, talked at length on the matter of finances. He said that at present only a certified accountant could understand all the ramifications of financial reports in the church.

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simple fashion any one could understand. The Rev. Dr. Tomlinson, during the discussion of the general proposition to raise salaries, told of a college professor he knew who had earned \$2200 a year teaching and gave it up to enter the ministry at \$1000. The Rev. Benjamin La Pihl related his own experience in this regard. He said he had worked in a foundry before he became a minister, and lately received an offer to go back to his old job at \$75 a week.

The retirement of the Rev. Abner F. Dittmer, 145 West School lane, also was announced. The Rev. T. T. Mettcher, secretary of the Philadelphia Sabbath Association, was given permission to address the conference and urged the ministers to keep Pennsylvania the "banner state in Sunday observance."

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She gave out a questionnaire, asking the ministers to fill it in and send it to the Board of Education. On it they expressed themselves as for, or against, higher salaries for teachers, a ten-mill tax, and a larger allotment from the state Legislature.

She said that at present there has been so great a falling off in pupils at the normal schools that in a short time there will be no new teachers to keep the ranks full. "Why spend \$10,000, 000 on new school buildings," asked Dr. Miller, "when there are no teachers for them?"

By maintaining the celerity and harmony that have marked the conference deliberations since its opening Tuesday night, the belief was expressed among the early arrivals today that the necessity for a meeting tomorrow night be obviated.

Churches Suggested
Some of the newer, commodious West Philadelphia churches have been suggested informally for the 1920 conference. Some of the pastors would designate Arch street or a comparatively central church as the ideal conference seat.

Reappointment of the five incumbent district superintendents is forecast. Earlier rumors that the Rev. Dr. Charles W. Straw has been marked for removal have been dissipated. Petty politics, unjust in its reference to Doctor Straw, is said to have inspired the report. The work of the North district, which is Doctor Straw's charge, showed it to be one of the most active in the conference, both in membership gain and in increased benevolences.

A movement is on foot, although likely to avail action at a later conference, to pay the traveling and entertainment expenses of delegates out of conference funds. This plan has been adopted by other conferences with satisfactory results, it is said, and the condition of Philadelphia Conference financially is believed to warrant its employment here.

Bishop Berry's announcement of pulp assignments for the coming church year will be made at the close of the business sessions. This list may be made public late today.

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reading, report was current today that the number of transfers among the 350 pastors would not exceed ninety, a fairly small quota.

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Our advice to shoe buyers is FIRST:—Buy shoes with the thought in mind of the service for which you require them. This means heavier soles in most cases. Turn soles, wafer-like shoes, wood heels, etc., are all right for their purpose—dress wear—but their place is not on the street, and when so worn are expensive and extravagant; not only wasting good upper leather, but keep expert shoemakers busy without the proper return in service for their labor.

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