

COMMITTEE O. K. FOR SCHOOL PROBE

Joint Body of Citizens and Board Members Want Finegan to Direct Survey

TO ARRANGE CONFERENCE

Decision to make a survey of the schools of this city under the direction of Dr. Thomas E. Finegan, state superintendent of public instruction, was made yesterday afternoon by the joint school survey committee at a meeting at Wannamaker's.

The committee is composed of six representatives of civic associations and six members of the Board of Education.

After some discussion as to the advisability of having the survey made by the State Department or by a private agency, the committee unanimously agreed to accept the offer made by Doctor Finegan and appointed Franklin N. Brewer, as chairman, to arrange for a conference with the state superintendent.

The acceptance of the state offer marked the end of a long struggle and accomplished the purpose of a motion originally introduced in April, 1918, at a meeting of the Board of Education by Joseph W. Catharine, asking that a survey be made.

Citizens Raised Money for Work

Following the action of Mr. Catharine, the Board of Education announced that there was no money available to undertake the work. Accordingly several prominent citizens got to work to have the estimated expense of \$20,000 underwritten. They appointed a committee, consisting of Franklin N. Brewer, Mrs. Edward Biddle, Joseph H. Hagelorn, Walter Leo Rosenberger, Franklin Spencer Edmonds, and Bruce M. Watson, to do the work and to act with a similar committee from the Board of Education, consisting of Judge Dimer Beeber, Simon Gratz, William Rowan, Walter George Smith, Franklin Smalley and Thomas Shallcross, all of whom, except Thomas Shallcross, who is ill, were present at the meeting yesterday.

Just as the total amount was underwritten an offer was made by Doctor Finegan to have the State Department undertake the work without expense to the local authorities.

The members of the committee expressed themselves at the meeting yesterday as being entirely satisfied with the offer of Doctor Finegan, pointing

out that should the state make the survey it would be done thoroughly and would mark the beginning of a great program of advancement for the Philadelphia schools.

Want Survey to Start by May 15

A resolution as passed by the joint committee read as follows: "In the judgment of all the members of the joint survey committee, it is desirable that the Board of Education should invite Doctor Finegan to make a survey of the schools of Philadelphia, which he has offered to do without expense to the board or to the citizens of Philadelphia.

"The committee pledges to Doctor Finegan all assistance it can give him in this work and will be glad to meet Doctor Finegan at such time as may be found convenient to him.

"The committee expresses the hope that the actual beginning of the survey of the Philadelphia schools may be no later than May 15; and its completion not later than November 1, with final report not later than December 25, 1920.

"The chairman of the joint committee is requested to arrange a meeting between Doctor Finegan and the committee."

Interchurch Campaign Posters Out

Ten thousand posters illustrating the appeal of the Interchurch World Movement in behalf of the American boy, girl and home will be placed in as many stores during the next two days. The posters have been produced by American artists.

FEWER PERSONS SUE CITY

Only 88 Damage Actions in First Three Months of 1920

There has been a big decline in damage suits against the city.

During the first three months of the present year there were only sixty-eight suits brought, as compared with 101 during the same period of 1919.

A general campaign of repairs, especially on streets traversed by automobiles, is largely responsible for the drop in damage claims.

The falling off in new cases in Court No. 2 is the most remarkable of all. The other four courts have managed to maintain their general average of eight or nine for the three months, but in Court No. 2 there were only thirty new suits in the first three months of this year, while in the first three months of 1919 there were fifty-three new suits.

In January, a respectable average of twenty-two cases was carried in Court No. 2 and that compared favorably with the twenty-six cases begun in January, 1919. But in February and March and in the first fifteen days of April a grand total of eight cases was all that was taken into that seat of justice. In the same period of 1919 twenty-seven suits were begun.

Eighty Third Anniversary of Joseph G. Darlington & Co. Inc.

FOR the last day of the 83d Anniversary Sale, there will be no lack of SPECIAL VALUES. Many of those previously advertised were in quantities large enough to still be available and you will find extra-good values in every section. Particular attention is directed to the following:

Girls' Dresses of the Grade Usually Sold at \$20.00 and \$22.00 } \$15.00

Made from crisp imported organdie which launders splendidly; white, with ruffles of blue, pink, tan or white; sizes 6 to 14 years.

Many other SPECIAL VALUES in Girls' Gingham Frocks.

Little Boys' Washable Suits } \$1.90

Oliver Twist Washable Suits, white blouses with colored trousers; broken sizes from 2 to 6 years.

Women's Waists at One-Third Less Than the Regular Prices

About 100 Waists in the assortment, some of which are rumpled and mussed; made of voiles and other desirable cotton materials in a host of pretty styles. Ordinarily you would pay from \$2.50 to \$13.50 for these Waists—Saturday prices—\$1.50 to \$8.75.

\$2.50 Undergarments } \$1.85 Reduced to

Night Gowns, Chemise and Petticoats of the quality usually sold at \$2.50 are specially priced for the last day of the 83d Anniversary Sale at \$1.85. No woman can afford to miss this opportunity.

Fine Millinery at Very Special Prices

A clearance of a large number of our fine Hats from regular stock. Included are Hats of every style and shape—no two alike. There are more of the \$16.75 group than in the others; at \$18.75 are a few original French Hats bearing the label of the Paris maker. See them early for first choice:

- At \$9.75 Hats Which Have Been Selling at \$12.00 to \$17.00
- At \$14.75 Hats Which Have Been Selling at \$18.00 to \$25.00
- At \$18.75 Hats Which Have Been Selling at \$30.00 to \$55.00

Women's and Misses' Voile Dresses at Two Special Prices



Several different models, three of which are sketched. The material is unusually good voile; some are all-white; some white trimmed in colors; some in dark shades.

At \$21.83 Values from \$25.00 to \$27.50

At \$16.83 Values from \$18.00 to \$20.00

We have made the prices \$21.83 and \$16.83 to emphasize our 83d Anniversary Sale. Both women's and misses' sizes to start with. (Third Floor.)

Joseph G. Darlington & Co. Inc. 1126-1128 Chestnut Street.

Our Shoes are Sold at \$1 a Pair Profit

Mail Orders Filled

Hirsch's

923-25-27 MARKET STREET

Silk Crepe de Chine Envelope Chemise \$3.55

Values to 6.00 Hand embroidered and lace trimmed. Ribbon straps. Second Floor

Again—An Extraordinary Sale Men's All Wool Suits with Extra Pair of Pants

At Less Than the Cost of the Woolens Alone

\$24.75

Just think of it—finest all wool suits with two pairs of pants at a lower price than is now being charged for these same suits with one pair of pants.

No man can afford to miss this big bargain. The second shipment arrived—and this will prove most welcome news to men who missed this opportunity last week. Why man, they are worth more wholesale today, than our special price.

25% OFF Present Marked Prices Entire Stocks Of SUITS & DRESSES

Make your Own Reductions from Our Already Low Marked Prices—

Our entire stocks on the Daylight Third Floor are embraced—absolutely no restrictions regardless of present marked prices. Every garment is marked at its regular selling price and from these prices you deduct exactly one-quarter off.

This is a sensational value-giving event and by far presents the best bargains of the season.

Girls' Silk Dresses

\$7.50

Silk taffetas, poplins and plaid silks in styles that are positively stunning. Some with ribbon waists. Sizes 8 to 14 years.

Exceptional Sale—Tomorrow

200 Trimmed Hats

Values up to \$6.50 \$2.98

Off-Face Hats, Mushrooms, Chic Turbans, Sailors, Novelties

The values are so big it is advisable to come early.

They are hats of most up-to-the-minute style conceptions and expressions—not many of any one kind, but a splendid variety to choose from. Black and all colors. Styles illustrated were selected from this group.

All sales must be final.

SECOND FLOOR

Women's "Onyx" Ingrain Heavy Silk Hosiery, at

\$1.75

These are the heavy, full fashioned, high spliced heel hosiery, with reinforced and mercerized toes, deep flare garter tops.

Choice of black, white, cordovan, navy blue, tan, brogue, Palm Beach, Helio, purple and evening shades.

Also thread silk all-over lace hosiery in black, cordovan, navy and gray. Some slightly irregular.

STREET FLOOR

OUR BARGAIN BASEMENT

Tomorrow, a Wonderful Big Saving Sale Women's Newest Spring Suits, Coats and Dresses

Positive Values up to \$29.75

\$15

Very special purchase, together with several hundred brand new silk dresses, suits and coats selected from our regular stocks and marked down in one big group to this very low special price.

Styles that are the very latest in fashion and most popular this season—materials that are in great demand and colorings that are the newest.

All sizes for women and misses

Home of Style and Economy

Hanscom's Fancy Chocolates 65c lb.

Please compare them with others at a dollar.

We're manufacturers, that makes our price possible.

731 Market St. 1232 Market St. 929 Market. 524 & Market Sts.

The Indian's Feather

There is an old story of an Indian who heard that the white man slept on feathers.

So he got him a feather and, after attempting a siesta, declared, "white men all damn liars."

Even today there are firms who expect an immediate deluge of new business from their first few advertisements.

As a matter of experience, the real evidence of large return does not show until after the third or fourth year of advertising the average commodity.

The occasional spectacular instance of immediate advertising success is talked about and written about until it is sometimes considered as a precedent.

Common sense should make you realize that the world is not palpitating in its eagerness to adopt the newest phonograph or the newest potato flour or the newest anything.

People, as a mass, are conservative, and it takes time to move a mass.

Some great advertisers have been working on this mass for half a century—profitably.

Butterick—Publisher

The Delineator (\$2.50 a Year) Everybody's Magazine (\$2.75 a Year) The Designer (\$1.50 a Year)

BONWIT TELLER & CO.

The Specialty Shop of Originations

CHESTNUT AT 13TH STREET

A large collection of individualized and youthful types that present values of an unusual character in (MISSES' DEPARTMENT—FOURTH FLOOR)

SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY

A collection of one hundred and fifty

MISSES' TAILORED SUITS

Formerly 59.50 to 69.50

48.00

These Suits have been assembled from the regular stock, and feature some of the season's fashionable types in simple tailored, belted and box styles. In Poirer twill and serge. Sizes 14 to 18.

MISSES' TAILORED SUITS

75.00

Included in this group of suits are styles of the most youthful persuasion. Quaint little debonnaire Eton Jackets, with plaited skirts and sashes in gay or minor color notes. Jaunty box coats, with skirts that harmonize. Coats that are deeply bordered with embroidery. And many other types. In Poirer twill and tricotine. Sizes 14 to 18.

A collection of one hundred and sixty

MISSES' AFTERNOON & DAY FROCKS

Formerly 59.50 to 75.00

48.00

The collection has been taken from regular stock—some of them have been slightly handled. Among the materials serge, taffeta, Georgette, satin, crepe de chine in light and dark colorings. Sizes 14 to 18.

PEACHBLOOM CAPES

Specialized at 89.50

Graceful silhouettes fashioned with large shirred collars. Some have tracings of stitchery, others plain. Silk lined. In navy blue, black, partridge, sparrow, llama. Also plaited capes of navy blue tricotine.