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Delaware County Superintendent of Schools Has Notable Record



A. G. CRISWELL SMITH

For thirty-five years A. G. Criswell Smith has guided the youth of Delaware County along the torthous path of learning. And by an almost unanimous vote Tuesday the 200 members of the school boards in the county, who are ex-officio electors, decided that Mr. Smith should remain in the office of County Sangting and

Smith should remain in the blace of County Superintendent.
Today at 9 o'clock he sat at his desk, looking not more than fifty of his sixtyeight years. His hair is only slightly tinged with gray and his cheeks have the ruddiness that comes with life in the open. He explained that he no doubt owes his good health to much walking.

Mr. Smith's eyes twinkled as he admitted that he had been returned to of of the members of boards did not turn up to vote," he said, "but many of them telephoned or wrote me, saying that they felt sure of the outcome and would be take the time to participate would not take the time to participate in the election.
"Once a politician, when asked why

he was re-elected without opposition, declared there was opposition, but no candidate. Perhaps that is my posi-tion. Anyway, they have been good enough to let me remain at my post.

Taught School in 1673 Mr. Smith has been active in the world of education over since his school days. He taught for a year in 1873, even before he had entered the Normal School at Millersville, from which he was graduated three years later. When he came to the position of Superintendent of Delaware County

schools, the salary attached to the post was \$1500, and upon his re-election two was \$1500, and upon his re-election two days ago it was voted to increase the salary to \$5000. It has been \$4000 for several years. Under his supervision thirty-five years ago there were 155 teachers, and today there are 428.

"Now, I suppose I shall soon have to accept the title of dean of superintendents of the entire State." he said with a scowl. But the eyes still twinkled. That will be forced upon me when Dr. Samuel Hamilton, of Allegheny County, retires in June. He antedates me by three months, because

he was appointed to the position of superintendent that length of time before he was elected. We were both elected on the same date.

Mr. Smith is a real booster for the county schools and also for the Finnegan

county schools and also for the Finnegan program. "We have some of the best high schools in the State." he said. Attendance has been better since the Finnegan regime, too. I am sure the new Administration will produce good, but support is needed and it has not been forthcoming as yet. That is not surprising in a way, for anyone who attempts such changes is bound to meet with opposition.

Taught at Marietta

After leaving the Normal School Mr. Smith taught at Marietta, Pa. He was made principal of the Lansford schools and later, was transferred in the same capacity to Media. He has watched with pride the growth of the system, which has continued despite the fact that six districts have in presented in toughtier above the 5000. mark, the said that the prob-lem of finding space for new punits always a pressing one.
A novel feature of Americanization

A novel feature of Americanization work has been included in the program of the school at Marcus Hook, where the percentage of foreigners is nigh. There, the pupils who because of the inability to speak the English anguage, are in grades for below Americans their own age, are placed in a spearate class and moved into a higher grade as soon as they have attained greater proficiency.

The method climinates waste time in

e classes and provides an opportunity of the foreigner to learn, first of all hat is most important: the language the country.

of the country.

A remark as to Mr. Smith's splendly health brought forth the information that is was not due to golf nor to any other sport. Mr. Smith has no outcome hobby except walking. 'Sometow I have kept in good physical condition.' he said, 'and it is rather surprising, for I have been going night and day for years. They always want me to make speeches somewhere, especially at commencement time, which continues for six weeks. Then there are the home and school associations

Mr. Smith is a thirty-third-degree Mason. He spoke enthusiastically of his long connection with the order. He is a past high priest of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania, past grand master of the Grand Council of the State, past master of St. Albap's Commandery Knights Templar, of the Lodge of Perfection, of the Princes of Jerusalem and past commander-inchief of Philadelphia Consistory.

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MYSTERIOUS BULLET STILL DECRIES DECISIONS

Military College Commandant Says It Must Have Been Accidental

Chester police are still seeking the scurce of a bullet found in the washboard of the dining room at Chester Military College, which is believed to Municipal Research Bureau have passed within a foot of the head of Colonel Charles E. Hyatt, com-

KEEPS OUT OF POLITICS Colonel Hyatt today. We heard a slight

Terms McCoach and Arthur

erty, the Court held he was an "appointed officer" within the meaning of Article VI, Section 4, of the Constitution, and therefore could be removed for the morale and efficiency of the tution, and therefore could be removed for the morale and efficiency of the at the pleasure of the appointing service and ought to be corrected by power.

The situation created by these decisions, the bureau said, should be remedied by legislative action. In the instance typitied by Arthur's case a constitutional amendment would be neces-

sary. The bureau stated further:
"It is not our purpose to quarrel with the finding of the court in this mandant of the school, as he sat at supper Sunday evening.

"It came uncomfortably close." said Colonel Hyatt today. We heard a slight noise and my son Frank said. "That sounds like a bullet." It had come in through an open window, evidently.

"There is no question but that it was an accident. The bullet must have traveled a thousand yards, judging from its penetration. It could not have been fired from any part of the college grounds, and uo one would attempt with a pistol to hit a person at a thousand yards."

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Rulings Unfortunate

Recent Supreme Court decisions on two important civil service cases "in the long run will be most unfortunate for Philadelphia," the Bureau of Municipal Research stated today.

A ruling in the case of Lieutenant David McCoach, demoted from a police officer or fireman. As the dissenting Justice puts it. "If a captain may be demoted to a lieutenancy, why not to the position of an ordinary particularly in the case of John E. Arthur, former chief of the Bureau of City Proppower is tuntamount to depriving an in our city government than it did beofficer not only of some of his rights, fore the recent decisions of the Supreme mer chief of the Bureau of City Prop. but of all of them, virtually forcing Court were rendered.

opportunity.

'Despite the joy with which these decisions have been hailed in some quarters, the net result in the long run will be most unfortunate for Philadelphia. Administrations may come and go; their day of authority is nearly always brief. But the great body of civil service employes upon whom we must depend to carry on the day-to-day work of the city government should remain undis-turbed. Let us not be deluded into thinking that the efficiency of the service is increased by permitting each new administration to indulge in its own particular brand of house-cleaning, and to impose its own pet definitions of loyalty. This only tends to break down morale and efficiency.

"Our civil service stands more ex-posed to the whims of those who may hold, for a brief span, the high places

Playing With Ball When

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Recent tests, to find how much work the human brain is really capable of, have yielded some surprising results.

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The trouble is that the body gets tired so soon. It develops actual fatigue-poisons, which clog the tissues and block the nerve-pathway that carries the brain's message.

Hour by hour these poisons accumulate. And little by little the output of work lessens — the "work-curve" begins to fall.

This is why the problem of fatigue is a problem which concerns every human being. Whether we work with hand or brain, fatigue is the enemy of us all.

We can't change the conditions under which we live. We can't slow up the lightning pace of 20th Century civilization. But we can avoid exposing body and brain to needless shock and strain.

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