

ASSAULT SYSTEM OF HIGH SCHOOLS

Dr. Evans, U. of P., Says Average Graduate is Without Ability to Think

UNINTELLIGENT, HE SAYS

The average high school graduate is unintelligent, according to Dr. H. B. Evans, professor of mathematics in the University of Pennsylvania.

"The high school graduate comes out of school with no intelligence," Dr. Evans said today. "He has been developed along mechanical lines to such an extent that he has overcome his ability to think."

"Seventy-five per cent of the high school graduates are not able to meet the problem of the world. A boy graduating from grammar school is intelligent, but the high school graduate is not."

"Of course," Dr. Evans explained, "this is speaking comparatively and not absolutely."

Dr. Evans bases his opinion on thirty years of observation. He believes the best students at the University graduates are those who start with an average barely sufficient to enter colleges and finish with a high average.

"They are better," Dr. Evans said, "because they have met and faced problems which the others still have to face. The man who enters with a high average and remains high in his class, has never been forced to toil as the former has. He has the problems awaiting him in the world, and if he meets them simultaneously with the former, the man who had the low average and came out on top is the man bound to win."

The university must cut all, and a man with a very good high school course generally finds work easy the first year. Many of his studies are mere repetition, and he loafs. The result is when his studies get harder he can't study, and his average goes down, and he finally drops out.

For the first time in many years no department of the University of Pennsylvania is overcrowded, due to a strict control of enrollment which the University administration and faculty have exercised.

Enrollment in Wharton School, which last year totaled 2,582, has been cut to 2,415. A cut of almost 800 was made in the freshman class this year, which numbers 504. Last year there were 842 members of the freshman class. The school was greatly overcrowded, and during the summer Dean Emory Johnson and Acting President Pennington decided to limit the enrollment to 2,500 at a maximum.

Many applicants were refused, and many more who applied were admitted to departments where registration was light.

The Law School, which still has room for a few students, has a freshman class 20 per cent larger than last year. A slight increase was also permitted in the first-year class in medicine, and the enrollment in the Graduate School has increased 20 per cent.

The remainder of the increase in enrollment is to be found in the departments as the summer school, evening school and certain extension courses.

Matriculation figures for the present academic year are not ready yet, but to date there were in all departments 13,821 persons registered, compared with 12,500 last year. There are approximately 500 "duplicates" in the figures for this year.

The records show a slight falling off in the number of women students. Last year in the departments 3,582 women were registered, while so far this year there are 3,547.

Dr. Edgar Fahs Smith, former president of the University of Pennsylvania, professor emeritus of chemistry and president of the American Chemical Society, will speak on the life of Joseph Priestly, famous early chemist, at a meeting of the Priestly Club in the Harrison Laboratory of Chemistry, Thirty-fourth and Spruce streets, tomorrow.

Dr. Smith will exhibit many objects belonging to or relating to Priestly which have never been heretofore shown in public. Among them are the original manuscript of Priestly's autography, many medals which Priestly was awarded and instruments which he used, in addition to certain gifts from Benjamin Franklin.

UNDERGROUND STILL FOUND

Accessible Only Through Subterranean Tunnel

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 2.—(By A. P.)—W. G. Whitner and C. J. Deeney are under arrest here, charged with operating one of the most ingeniously arranged "moonshine" distilleries yet discovered by the authorities here.

The two men were found in a subterranean chamber forty feet below the surface, operating a fifty-gallon still in the outskirts of Atlanta.

The underground room, the police stated, was accessible only through a tunnel connected with the shaft of an old well, the officers gaining entrance by letting themselves down the well with a rope.

The underground room was electrically lighted and equipped with running water, the officers stated.

WILL QUIZ SISTER IN HAMMER CASE

Mrs. Phillips' Relatives Tell of Mental Decay in Family Tree

MURDER LAID TO EPILEPSY

By Associated Press

Los Angeles, Nov. 2.—Cross-examination of the defendant's sister, who detailed the alleged mental decay in her family tree in support of the insanity defense, was planned for today by the prosecution at the trial of Mrs. Clara Phillips charged with having beaten Mrs. Alberta Brenneke Meadows, twenty-year-old widow, to death with a hammer.

The witness, Miss Ola Weaver, declared on direct examination that her father, John Weaver, also the father of Mrs. Phillips, was insane more than half the time, and during the latter years of his life was completely insane, that her mother, Mrs. Hannah Weaver, was "subject to epileptic convulsions and was considered dangerous both to herself and to others"; that Henry Weaver, brother to the witness and the defendant, was "an idiot all his life," and that Mrs. Phillips had "epilepsy."

The condition of her mother, Miss Weaver testified, was such that the "family had always to keep some one with her."

Miss Weaver also told of alleged actions of her father, declaring he had once beaten her with a heavy strap until neighbors rescued her; that one day he drove his family into the street, stopped only when the police were summoned and that once he had broken all the furniture in their home and had driven his family into the street.

Another sister, Mrs. R. S. Jackson, declared the defendant suffered from periodic epileptic convulsions, and in one of them in May, 1918, at San Antonio, Tex., had attacked the witness, throwing her over a trunk and striking her on the head with a shoe.

"It still gave me the scar," she said.

Miss Weaver said Mrs. Phillips tried to take poison a few days before the slaying of Mrs. Meadows.

PEPPER EXPENDED \$5000

Additional Statements Filed of Campaign Expenses

Washington, Nov. 2.—Additional statements of campaign expenses in congressional races filed today follow: M. M. Neale, of West Virginia, Democratic nominee for Senator, \$2150; Senator Reed, of Missouri, \$1867, generally, and \$8770 for stationery and printing; R. H. Brewster, Republican, of Missouri, \$500; Lynn J. Frazier, North Dakota, \$540; Senator Pepper, Pennsylvania, \$5000; Senator Gerry, Rhode Island, \$3008; Senator King, Utah, \$1670; Senator Hitchcock, Nebraska, \$5412; Carl W. Riddick, Republican, Montana, \$510; Hubert D. Stephens, Democratic nominee, Mississippi, \$6621; Senator Swann, of Virginia, nothing; Frank L. Greene, Republican, Vermont, \$915; Senator McLean, Republican, \$102; Thomas F. Bayard, Democrat, Delaware, \$322; Senator du Pont, \$2250.

HOME RULE VALUE IS POINTED OUT

Bureau of Municipal Research Discusses Question as "Citizens' Business"

AID TO CIVIC FREEDOM

The value of home rule for cities is pointed out in a statement issued today by the Bureau of Municipal Research.

In discussing "Citizens' Business" it is contended that the voters of a home rule municipality should be able to confer, by charter, upon the city government any powers needed for municipal administration which the Legislature of the State could confer if it were enacting a legislative charter.

This is a long step on progress, the bureau asserts, compared with the doctrines of strictly limited powers obtaining in three-fourths of the States.

The statement says:

"An exact staking out of the field of local freedom is, of course, not possible. As an inclination, however, it might be said that in some of the States in which Pennsylvania may be under control last night by firemen from Secaucus and North Bergen, when the flames reached a large section of wet meadows.

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Halloween Party for Employees

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'CROWN PRINCE' SUPPLIES POMP FOR DAD'S WEDDING

Arrives at Doorn With Truck Full of Baggage

Doorn, Nov. 2.—(By A. P.)—Former Crown Prince Frederick William arrived in Doorn today for the wedding Sunday of ex-Empress William and Princess Hermine of Reuss. Frederick William brought with him a truck full of baggage, most of which was presumed to be uniforms for the various functions. He avoided attention by slipping into the castle through a small secluded garden gate.

Measures for maintaining secrecy as to the nuptials are increasing as the wedding approaches. The park is being patrolled by men assigned from the ex-Kaiser's household staff, the patrol being accompanied by mastiffs of forbidding appearance.

The Duchess of Brunswick, daughter of the former Kaiser, accompanied by her suite and Pastor Vogel, of Potsdam, arrived at Doorn last evening. Pastor Vogel is to celebrate the religious ceremony.

POLICEMEN ROUT 4 MILL ROBBERS

Compel Them to Abandon Motortruck They Had Loaded With Loot

EXCHANGE PISTOL SHOTS

Four men, discovered robbing the mill of John C. Mawson & Co., Kensington avenue and Venango street, were routed this morning by Patrolmen Connell and Layre, after a running fight, during which several shots were fired.

The robbers were compelled to abandon a large motortruck in which goods valued at several thousand dollars had been packed for quick removal.

As the patrolmen approached the place they noticed lights moving about on the first floor. They entered the rear of the building. A man, serving as lookout on the truck, sounded the alarm as a warning, and the robbers fled to the street.

As the engine of the truck was running the robbers attempted to escape with the goods, but were forced to abandon the truck when the patrolmen opened fire.

Connell and Layre chased the men several blocks. The would-be robbers dodged in doorways and returned the fire, finally escaping through a small street.

MARSH FIRE MENACED TOWN

Four Miles of Marsh Land Burned Over Near Secaucus, N. J.

Secaucus, N. J., Nov. 2.—Fire which yesterday swept over four miles of marsh land bordering this town and threatened to reach dwellings here and county institutions in Laurel Hill, was under control last night by firemen from Secaucus and North Bergen, when the flames reached a large section of wet meadows.

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DANIELS TRIES TO 'EXPOSE' G. O. P. METHODS IN N. Y.

Partisan Plan to Employ Republican Students Set Forth

New York, Nov. 2.—(By A. P.)—Declaring it obtained its information from Joseph Daniels, former Secretary of the Navy, and his son, Jonathan, a student at Columbia University, the New York World today printed a story charging that Deputy Attorney General Gilbert had evolved a "partisan" plan to employ Republican students at the University as special deputies and investigators at the polls next Tuesday.

The young men would be paid at the rate of \$10 a day out of a \$100,000 fund authorized by the Legislature for ballot purging purposes, the World charges.

Young Daniels heard that some of his fellow-students at Columbia Law School were going to make some "easy money" at election time and inquired how he might do likewise. He was referred to Miss Edith E. Fairchild, secretary to Dean Stone, of the Law School, who, the World says, admitted she was making up such a list.

"But you're a Southerner, and they're all Democrats," Miss Fairchild said to young Daniels, as quoted in the World.

"Why, yes," he replied, and Miss Fairchild then told him it would do no good for him to apply. The young man told his father, who was in the city yesterday, what had occurred, and the elder Daniels informed the World.

ROLLS INTO RIVER

Man's Snooze on Log Interrupted. Saved by Policeman

Frank A. Booth, of Hanover, Pa., went to sleep on a log at Pier No. 11 North Wharves, yesterday, and then rolled into the river.

As Booth struck the water he yelled. A railroad policeman rescued him.

LISBON EDITOR ARRESTED

Lisbon, Nov. 2.—Jose Rugeiron, proprietor of Lisbon's leading newspaper, Seculo, was arrested yesterday charged with having defamed the State in conversations during the war. Rugeiron is a British subject.

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Sterling, Ill., Nov. 2.—Twin sisters, separated for forty years, were reunited yesterday when Mrs. Otto Erickson, of Sterling, greeted Mrs. Charles H. Held, of Indianapolis, ten days ago Mrs. Held did not know she had a sister.

Reported Missing
Emma Dostal, fifteen years old, 2770 East Waterloo street, five feet five inches, 120 pounds, light complexion, brown hair and eyes, wearing light brown coat.
John Nield, forty-four years old, 2045 South 8th street, five feet ten inches, 150 pounds, stout build, wearing dark mixed suit, brown soft hat and shoes.
James Haged, twenty-four years old, a Negro, 317 Giddens street, wearing white overalls, low tan shoes, brown cap.
Arthur Flowers, fifty-five years old, five feet nine inches, 150 pounds, gray hair and mustache, sandy complexion, wearing blue coat and vest, brown trousers, soft green hat, brown shoes and stockings.
John O'Neill, sixteen years old, 5087 Stanton avenue, five feet two inches, brown hair, wearing brown mixed suit, brown shoes.
Harry H. Huntington, twenty-six years old, 1381 Narragansett street, five feet eight inches, 100 pounds, chestnut hair, wearing blue striped suit, silk striped shirt, brown shoes and stockings. "H" "H" tattooed on right ear over left eye.
Edgar Clement, thirteen years old, 2102 Clement street, brown hair and eyes, wearing brown and tan trousers and cap, high-laced brown shoes.
De Lancy Hansen, ten years old, 6127 hair, blue eyes, light complexion, wearing brown hat, low black shoes, white stockings.
James Ferris, ten years old, 5128 Ludlow street, three feet six inches, 75 pounds, black hair and eyes, sandy complexion, stout build, wearing brown velvet suit, green necktie.
John J. Harrison, fourteen years old, 185 pounds, blue eyes, slim build, wearing green sport stockings, green coat and pants, russet shoes.

WATCHING NOVEMBER 15TH
Partisan changes have been occurring with the election of the State officers. The State of Pennsylvania is now being governed by a Republican administration.

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