



MARRIAGE OF UNFIT IS MOST UNFAIR TO FUTURE GENERATIONS

Schools For Defective Point the Need of a Cleaner Moral Code

TEACHERS HAVE A BIG JOB

Instructing Feeble Mind Requires Spirit of Self Sacrifice and Patience

[This is the second of two articles written for the Telegraph on Harrisburg schools for defective children by Mrs. Anna H. Wood.]

By Mrs. Anna H. Wood

The children who enter the city's schools for defectives are examined by the Binet test and go on record according to the age at which mentally ceased to develop.

Everything is done to develop motive force and will power in these poor unfortunates. These qualities seem especially lacking.

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Emperor's Condition Is Said to Be Causing Doctors Much Anxiety

By Associated Press

Paris, Dec. 16.—1.15 A. M.—A Madrid dispatch published in the Journal says: "Reliable news received here says that Emperor William's condition, although recorded on the bulletins as improved, is causing great anxiety.

GERMAN CRUISERS BOMBARD ENGLISH COAST TOWNS; HUNDREDS FLEEING FROM HOMES

GERMAN RELIEF CORPS FEEDING CHILDREN LEFT DESITUTE ON BATTLE LINE



This photograph is proof that the German army did attempt to make up for the suffering caused along the line of battle in Belgium and France.

TWO GERMAN SHIPS REPORTED SUNK IN NORTH SEA BATTLE

Shelling of Four Towns Early Today Causes Panic Among Residents; Extent of Damage Done Has Not Yet Been Ascertained; Houses, Churches and Industrial Plants Torn to Pieces by Shells

London, Dec. 16, 3.12 P. M.—The Yorkshire Evening News reports that two German cruisers were sunk in today's engagement and that the British flotilla was damaged.

The eastern coast of England was raided to-day by German warships which dropped shells in several towns along a forty-mile strip of coast.

The German raid apparently was performed by a few fast cruisers and far as is known the main British and German fleets were not engaged.

Official announcements from the British official information bureau came through with unusual celerity.

Although the raid on England overshadowed all other developments for the time being, there were important occurrences in other quarters.

by the allies in Belgium, that German attacks in Alsace and the Woerwe district had been repulsed and that British warships have again bombarded German positions on the coast of Belgium.

To-day's official communication from Berlin disputes the French claim to an advance in Belgium saying that an attempt of the allies to move forward supported by British warships, was repulsed.

Further progress has been made by German troops in the east, according to the Berlin statement which says that several strong Russian positions have been taken and 3,000 more prisoners captured.

It is reported at Constantinople that the tribes of Northern Albania have declared war on Serbia.

King Peter of Serbia has re-entered Belgrade in triumph and the Serbian general staff states that not a single Austrian remains within its borders.

The Khedive of Egypt is said to have gone to Vienna to confer with the Austrian government officials.

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LEMOYNE PLANS BIG CHRISTMAS EVE EVENT

Cross River Residents Will Distribute Gifts to Six Hundred Youngsters

Lemoine is planning one of the most inclusive and far-reaching municipal Christmas celebrations of any city or town in the United States.

For the past three weeks the residents of the little cross river town have been busy planning the latest sort of a Christmas eve.

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WANTS PAVEMENTS CLEANED

Colonel Joseph B. Hutchison says citizens of Harrisburg must obey the ordinance requiring the removal of snow and ice from pavements, more closely.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair, continued cold to-night and Thursday; lowest temperature tonight about 10 degrees.

General Conditions Except on the west coast of Florida, where rain is falling in Kansas and South Dakota, where light snow has occurred, and along the northern border of the Great Lakes and in the St. Lawrence Valley, where light to moderately heavy falls of snow are reported, the weather has been fair over all the country during the last twenty-four hours.

Temperature: 4 a. m., 8. Sun rises, 7:21 a. m.; sets, 4:41 p. m. Moon, New moon, December 16, 9:35 a. m. River Stage: 2.9 feet above low-water mark; frozen.

RAILROADERS TO BE TABERNACLE GUESTS

Largest Parade of Campaign to Be Held by Pennsy and Reading Men

To-night will be "Railroad Night" at the tabernacle and about 4,000 brotherhood men, shopmen, station employees and yardmen of the Harrisburg and Enola sides of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company and a large number from the Reading will march in the largest street parade of the campaign.

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Steamship Narrowly Escapes Destruction When Mines Collide

New York, Dec. 16.—The Cunard liner Transylvania, in to-day from Liverpool with 356 passengers, had a narrow escape from destruction by a mine at 4 o'clock in the morning of December 6.

Council to Consider 1915 Skeleton Budget Ordinance Tomorrow

Council, in special session yesterday afternoon, did not consider the skeleton budget ordinance as has been expected because of the late hour, but postponed consideration of the measure until tomorrow afternoon, at 3 o'clock.

SCOTT IS ORDERED TO PROCEED TO NAGO

Chief of Staff of U. S. Army Sent to Border by the War Department

Washington, Dec. 16.—Brigadier General Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff of the army was to-day ordered by the War Department to proceed to Naco, Ariz., to use his personal influence with Mexican leaders to cease hostilities.

Secretary Garrison explained General Scott's mission in this statement: "By reason of the personal acquaintances acquired with the different factions while he was stationed on the border, General Scott has been sent to Naco to induce the warring factions of the Mexican side of the line to desist from imperiling persons and property on our side of the line."

General Scott will leave Washington to-night and expects to arrive at Naco at 2 p. m. Saturday. It is not planned that General Bliss of the active command of the American troops at Naco.

SIXTH BRIGADE IS READY TO GO TO TROUBLE ZONE

Texas City, Tex., Dec. 16.—After a night of bustling activity preparations for the departure of the Sixth Brigade of Infantry for Naco, Ariz., to aid in enforcing President Wilson's demands that firing across the line by Mexicans cease, were virtually complete to-day.

WANTS FIRING TO CEASE

Naco, Ariz., Dec. 16.—Governor Jose Maytorna, commander of Villa's troops besieging Naco, Sonora, late last night received a message from Provisional President Gutierrez, ordering him to cease his attack rather than "separate international relations until some means can be found whereby firing to the American side can be avoided."

Little Shoplifting This Christmastide Because of Close Watch Kept

Up-to-date shoplifters have been a scarce article in the local stores during the holiday rush. This is said to be due to a great extent to the presence of plainclothes officers in all stores during business hours.

COLD WAVE TO LAST THROUGHOUT WEEK

Skating at Wildwood and on the River; River Frozen Over Entire Course

The cold weather will continue all week. That is the substance of to-day's weather forecast as issued by E. R. Demain, local forecaster.

According to the weather map low temperatures prevail throughout the Eastern United States and at present no relief is in sight.

King Winter has gripped the Susquehanna and its tributaries and the river is reported frozen over at nearly all observing stations along its course.

Skating at Wildwood Wilwood Lake was officially opened to the skating public this morning by the park department, and this afternoon hundreds of lovers of the sport were gliding over the big pond.

With the forecasted cold weather of this week skaters are beginning to believe that opportunities for the sport are going to be better than in several weeks.

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Stonepile For All Disturbers of Peace Hereafter, Says Mayor

In sentencing Clarence Rely to the stone pile for thirty days yesterday, Mayor John K. Royal gave notice that similar sentences would be meted out to all disturbers of the peace in the future.

"I have been too lenient with you fellows," said the Mayor. "Heretofore when you fellows were arrested for drunkenness and disorderly conduct, I gave you from ten to thirty days in jail in the future all brought before me for disorderly practice will get thirty days on the stonepile."

Mayor Royal says most disturbers would rather stay in jail ninety days than work one day on the pile.

Will Cut City's Giant Christmas Tree Tomorrow

Harrisburg's giant Municipal Christmas tree will be cut down tomorrow. The time for welding the handsomest trees now growing on the Second mountain near Rockville, was decided late this afternoon.

RESIDENTS OF CITIES ARE PANIC STRICKEN

People Fled From Their Homes as Soon as Shells Began to Fall

London, Dec. 16, 11.52 A. M.—A German fleet made a sudden dash into the North Sea to-day, shelled Scarborough and Hartlepool, English coast towns on the North Sea, and engaged certain units of the British fleet.

Four German cruisers appeared off Scarborough at an early hour and began to bombard the town. It is reported that they had no difficulty in dropping shells into the city.

The residents of Hartlepool were aroused from their sleep by the sound of heavy gun firing. They flocked to the streets and then made their way to the beach to learn what was going on in a few moments shells from German cruisers began dropping into Hartlepool, whereupon the crowd along the shore broke for shelter.

The preliminary announcement of the admiralty made no mention of the damage to Scarborough, which is a fashionable sea resort on the North Sea, thirty-seven miles northeast of York and a little over 200 miles from London, or to Hartlepool, an important shipping center, about forty miles northwest of Scarborough.

British flotillas have been engaged with the enemy at several points, however, and at noon the situation was described by the admiralty as "developing."

It could not be ascertained at first whether this German attack was designed merely to spread panic among the British people or whether its purpose was to engage the British fleet in battle.

Trailhitter Blew Smoke in Faces of Salesgirls, So He Goes to Jail

John Reigle, said to be the first Stough "trailhitter" in Sunbury, will eat his Christmas dinner in jail, unless someone buys his fine of \$10.

Patrolmen Bill and Larsen testified that Reigle was very drunk on Monday and for twenty-five minutes put a crimp in business at the Woolworth five and ten-cent store.

Reigle hit the trail at Sunbury during the campaign in that town, but has since fallen from grace. He visited Harrisburg several weeks ago and again went down the sawdust route.

ABBOTT ACCUSES COMMISSIONERS

Edwin M. Abbott, attorney for Business Men's and Commuters' Association, which have been fighting the increases of passenger fares by the railroads in the vicinity of Philadelphia, to-day told Governor Tener he would prefer charges against the whole six commissioners and ask him to recall their appointments from the Senate.

London Dec 15, 5.58 P. M.—A dispatch from Scarborough, passed by the London censors says that eighteen people were killed at Scarborough to-day by the bombardment of German warships.

NAVAL ENGAGEMENT REPORTED

Hartlepool, Dec. 16, via London, 5.25 P. M.—It is reported here that a flotilla of British torpedoboat destroyers, early this morning, encountered three German cruisers eight miles off the English coast. The cruisers immediately opened fire.

SHIP PURCHASE BILL REPORTED

Washington, Dec. 16.—The ship purchase bill urged by President Wilson, was favorably reported in the Senate for action to-day after several amendments proposed by minority members had been defeated in committee.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Colonel Roosevelt will not appear before the House Naval Affairs Committee. A telegram was received from him to-day by Representative Hobson, who proposed that Mr. Roosevelt be invited to discuss the situation and needs of the navy.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Two British warships are pursuing the German cruiser Dresden, which left Punta Arenas on Sunday, according to an official telegram received to-day from American Embassy at Santiago, Chile.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

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