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SAYS PAID DEPT' IS NOT NECESSARY

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any emergency and are maintained at an annual cost of \$36,000.

The statement in full is as follows: "In an article published recently in one of the city papers relative to the Underwriters' Association increasing or readjusting the insurance rates there was an uncalculated attack made, or inferred, on the volunteer fire department of this city.

"Why this should happen, the firemen are at a loss to know, but they demand that their side of the question be given to the public, and we hope the papers will give it the same publicity as the attack made upon them.

"Why the Chamber of Commerce should allow a man, an entire stranger, to come to Harrisburg and dictate how we shall run our fire department is a question we cannot fathom. We will give you facts as nearly correct as possible and submit them to the general public for consideration.

Demands for Paid System
"In the demands made by the Underwriters' Association was one for a paid fire department in this city, which demands not only the attention of the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce, but the consideration of every taxpayer of the city.

"We have in the city of Harrisburg fourteen volunteer companies, with about 3,000 members. We do not want to leave the public under the impression that we have 3,000 fire fighters, but it is a safe statement that the department can turn out 500 men at any time who are willing to take their lives in their own hands to save life and property, not because they expect any pay for their services, but because they have in their hearts the desire to do something for their fellow-man and not the filling of their own selfish pocketbooks.

"As to equipment of the Harrisburg department, there is some room for improvements, which will be made if the money is forthcoming, and for which every fireman and good-think-

ing citizen will vote when it is put up to the people.

Figures Showing Cost

"Can it be denied by anyone that the money voted by the people two years ago has not been well spent? If so, let that person come forward with a suggestion, and the firemen are a body of men who will listen to any person who has a practical proposition.

"So often the man at the desk with a few figures and a correspondence education makes a total failure when his ideas are put to the practical test. "Now as to the cost of running a paid department. Taking the number of men desired by the Underwriters' Association, 90 men, exclusive of officers, would mean: Ninety men at \$75 per month, or \$31,000 per year; one foreman for each company, which would number nine companies, at \$1,200 per year, or \$10,800 for foremen, and then the trainers or experts referred to by the Underwriters would total an amount over \$100,000 per year. In addition to this would be added about \$20,000 for janitors, fuel, light, etc., for the firehouses. The figures are not exorbitant, but on a par with city police and other safety officers, the only difference being that a fireman would have to be on duty twenty-four hours a day.

"At the present time the paid fire departments of various cities are making a stand for a twelve-hour turn, instead of twenty-four hours. In such event the amount of expenditure will be doubled, and this is very likely to happen because they are putting up the kick to the authorities, who will probably grant their wish.

"One other suggestion made was to effect employment of trained and experienced men. There is a matter to decide, and who shall do it? The Harrisburg firemen are not what the Underwriters' Association would call "trained," so it remains to be seen that it is their intention to import men to this city, as they always do when a position is to be given out.

More Cost Added

"You can readily see the expenditure of \$120,000 a year to run the department, which statement can be verified by comparing it with other cities of the third class the size of

Harrisburg in which they have paid departments.

"There is another thing to be considered along the line of expense to the city. That is the remodeling of all firehouses in the city, which would mean a very heavy expenditure of money.

"The proposition simmers down to this: To-day we have 14 companies that last year cost the city \$36,000 to operate, and plenty of men to combat the flames.

"Shall the Underwriters' Association dictate to the city a department of nine companies, with a limited number of 90 men, and costing \$120,000 a year to maintain? Surely a thoughtful citizen can interpret the meaning of this.

"There has been some reference made that water pressure is not what it should be.

"In answer to this the firemen extend a hearty invitation to the fault-finding gentlemen who push pencils, compile figures and dope out impracticable theories to kindly come around to a fire at their leisure, when an opportunity will be given them to demonstrate their theories. No doubt it will result in "Where ignorance is bliss, 'tis folly to be wise."

"There is not in this city a volunteer who will not do all in his power to better conditions in the department; but we want the suggestion to come from practical men, and not theorists and figure enumerators.

"The slogan "Boost Harrisburg, and trade at home" does not correspond with the system employed by those who consider themselves at the helm to guide this good old ship Harrisburg.

Civil Service Question

"In regard to the civil service question: Last winter a bill was introduced by a member from a third class city, which bill, according to reliable reports, was gotten up by a man from a third class city who tried to force a paid department in his city and was backed by a man from a third class city which has a full paid department. The bill passed both houses, but was recalled from the Governor, and when the bill was explained by volunteer firemen to the members, showing them the weak points and hardships that

would be forced on cities of the third class they readily voted against the bill.

"The first vote was 167 in favor of 3 against, and when the bill was recalled the vote was 98 in favor and 56 against, showing conclusively that unfair means had been used in the matter. The member who introduced the bill acknowledged he did not know the practical side of a fireman, but was serving the wish of others.

"We as firemen cannot help thinking that this is a direct outcome of this bill, as Harrisburg firemen were foremost, in company with Reading, York and Allentown firemen, in fighting this bill.

"This statement is absolutely correct, for when the civil service bill was before the Legislature last winter a man very prominent and holding a high position in the fire department of Philadelphia was here to engineer this bill through, and when he was badly beaten his remarks to the Harrisburg men were not very complimentary, closing with this declaration: 'We will get you in line some way.' And we suppose this is the outcome.

Insurance Rates
"When the Underwriters' Association quoted a rate of 20 cents for commercial purposes, which would only benefit a certain class, they were asked the following question: 'What rate do you quote for the dwellings of the citizens?' This question was evaded by the following answer: 'We have not worked that out yet.'

"Look out, Mr. Homeowner, that you do not make up the difference. "Where is the increased amount of money to come from? The taxpayer. There is no way of finding out how much insurance is carried in Harrisburg to make a house-to-house canvass would be impracticable, but you can rest assured that the amount of increase of taxes will far exceed the amount saved in insurance, as will be shown later in figures, which are facts.

"As was said before, the cost of maintaining our fire department last year was \$26,000 and the cost of maintaining a paid system would be \$20,000, and that, possibly, would be doubled on account of the twelve-hour law if it comes to pass. You can see an increase of \$4,000 a year. Where must it come from? Only one way—by levying at least 1 1/2 mill tax on our citizens. Taking a property assessed on a \$1,000 basis means an additional tax of \$1.75. Take a policy of \$1,000 with an increase of 16 cents a hundred means \$1.60 for a three-year term, or 53 1/2 cents per \$1,000 a year for insurance, as against \$1.75 a year on each \$1,000, or a saving of \$1.21 2-3 per year to the taxpayer. You can readily see it will be cheaper to raise the insurance. Now they claim to give a reduction in insurance, for which you have no guarantee, if the city makes all these improvements.

"If you will examine reports of fire losses in third class cities with volunteer and paid departments you will find that Harrisburg's fire losses rank as low as the lowest; and right here we want to impress the fact that this is due to a volunteer department. "It was said by Philadelphia firemen who were in this city during the Kaufman fire that better work could not have been done by any organization, not even their own paid department.

Have Objection
"It seems very strange that during the big fire on Thursday morning there was but one man who disapproved of the work of the firemen. Only one question to the gentleman: Why did he want to use aerial ladders to fight fire so low to the ground? Of course, on a biased opinion, and a very limited knowledge of the surroundings, and the work done by firemen from the rear. It is no wonder such an ignorant statement was made. But right here we wish to say, Knock if you want to; the boys will come again when you need them; that is the spirit of a real fireman.

"Harrisburg has been visited lately by a few big fires, but why such a

how? Other cities have them and no attention is paid to it. But listen: other cities take care to boost their own, while some people, and only a few of our citizens, are inclined to give ear to strangers instead of their own people with whom they expect to live and deal with as fellow-citizens.

Old Way Won't Do To-day



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INTERESTING FEATURES OF JAPAN'S MARRIAGE LAW

Miss Mary Eastlake, daughter of the late Dr. Eastlake, a famous linguist, was married last year to Saito Torao, a Japanese graduate of the Tokio Higher Commercial School, and has now legally become a Japanese subject under the certification of the Minister of Justice. Until recently the couple have been living in Osaka where the husband was employed in a branch of the Yokohama Specie Bank. The name of the bride was to have been entered in the bridegroom's family register, but the plan was not carried out and the bridegroom became the adopted husband of the linguist's daughter. This is prohibited by American law, however, and the naturalization of the bride was necessary, in Japan the adoption of a husband is legally allowed. A girl baby was recently born to the couple.

WHITE-COTTON UNIFORMS FOR CITY POLICEMEN
The campaign inaugurated in the southern States and carried on extensively throughout the country for some time in an attempt to stimulate a greater use of cotton as material for clothing has resulted in the adoption of white cotton uniforms for members of the Waco, Texas, police department. The suits are made after the same patterns as those commonly worn elsewhere, but have the two-fold advantage of being cool and easily cleaned. A picture of the white-clad police force at Waco appears in the July Popular Mechanics Magazine.

School Board Rearranges Tech High Rental Rates

Rearrangement of the rental rates for the Technical High School auditorium were decided upon last evening by the School Board in response to a complaint from some of the public hall proprietors of the present low figure. Heretofore \$1.50 per night was fixed for the hall but this will now hold good only when free entertainments are arranged. For affairs to which there is admission charged the rent will be \$25. Teachers' Institutes and the Natural History Society will not be charged for the use of the auditorium. Because the Woman's Suffrage Association has no political affiliation as yet, the rule that the hall cannot be used for political purposes, will not apply for the lecture to be given by Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, Wednesday, October 6.

The board decided last night to relieve overcrowding in the Lincoln, Allison and Webster districts by opening a new third and fourth grade school in the Melrose building under Miss Susan Kurzenkabe after Miss Grace E. Laucks' special school is removed to the new Shimmel building. Relief of congested schools north of Rely street is promised by the opening of new fourth and fifth grades in the Rely building to be in charge of Miss Marie Higgins who will be transferred from the Verbeke building. Miss Margaret Sullivan was chosen assistant principal at the Shimmel building, and Luther Newman, one of the city's well-known younger instructors, was placed on the substitute list for colored schools. Mr. Newman was also chosen instructor for the night school for colored folks in the Springdale building.

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By McManus

AS WE GO ALONG, GENERAL, I'LL POINT OUT THE PLACES OF INTEREST—ON OUR RIGHT IS THE NEW COURT HOUSE!

I THINK THAT I'M GOIN' TO HAVE A NICE TIME!

THIS IS QUITE A CITY—

OH, YES—NOW THAT BUILDING IS THE HALL OF RECORDS—

THIS IS A GRAND LIFE!

THAT'S A MAGNIFICENT PARK!

THAT'S SWIVEL PARK AND OVER TO THE RIGHT IS THE TOUGH PART OF TOWN—

SIT DOWN—

LOOK—GENERAL—THAT'S DINTY MOORE'S PLACE NEXT TO THE LIVERY STABLE—SEE! WHERE THEY ARE FIGHTIN'!