

TEACH THRIFT MORE THAN EVER

Dr. Schaeffer Discusses Tendencies of the Times in the Annual School Report

School teachers of Pennsylvania are praised for doing more than ever before to teach their pupils to save and are urged to inculcate in their charges that men's highest aspirations should not be to fight, but to work for the welfare of the whole race...

The increase in the tax levy which seems necessary to keep the schools up to the present standard of efficiency. The news from the war divert public attention from the things of the mind to the agencies of destruction. The American people can be well satisfied if in these critical days the school can be kept from deteriorating in its work both for the child and for the state and the Nation.

liberal sums of money for the encouragement of agricultural and industrial education, including home economics. The lack of trained vocational teachers is everywhere felt, and the financial help for this purpose will prove to be one of the most gratifying features of the Smith-Hughes Act.

longer like their strong and vigorous ancestors. Under-feeding in childhood, irregular meals in adult years and other concomitants of a lack of thrift have made them what they are. If we do not teach them thrift and sanitation, they will become a menace to the health and welfare of the very people who brought them from the southland, where they did not have to face the rigors of a cold climate, the temptation of booze and the pulmonary diseases that carry them to an early grave.

cover their necessary living expenses. All over the land movements have been started to provide pensions for teachers who have reached the age at which retirement is for the good of the schools. "May we not hope for the day when the leading nations of modern times shall vie with one another, not in devising agencies of destruction, but in perfecting plans to bless the whole human race? Is it wise to instill hatred into the hearts of our children, hatred of the enemy, of the foreigner, of our rivals in business, commerce, finance and industry? "Got strafe England" is a type of prayer that should not be taught our children. Hatred of vice, of sin, of oppression may be instilled, but not hatred of human beings.

Store Ice; Save Ammonia During War's Duration

Such importance is now attached to ammonia as a war commodity that the Food Administration is planning to effect a reduction, if possible, in its use for making artificial ice. Ammonia is widely used for making ammunition, for cold storage and for the manufacture of artificial ice.

As between direct military requirements and the use of ammonia for ice making, the Chemical Division of the Food Administration fully recognizes the pressing need of the former, and declares that a revival of natural harvesting on a large scale will help greatly to relieve the situation. The U. S. Department of Agriculture is also using its valuable and widely distributed organization to this end.

Sunday Attacked by German at Revival

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 22.—Wild scenes attended the revival meetings conducted here last night by Billy Sunday, the evangelist. Billy engaged in a flat fight with a German sympathizer and had decidedly the better of the argument when the crowd separated them.

The evangelist was making a vigorous attack on Germany and her allies, saying he did not believe "God would be on the side of a dirty bunch that could stand aside and see a Turk outrage a woman." In the midst of his sermon he was interrupted by cries of "Look out!" "Stop him!" as W. H. Beutervauth, a carpenter, forced his way to the platform. Sunday turned and struck at the intruder. He missed and Beutervauth sent a glancing blow on the evangelist's face. Sunday sent a hard wallop to the chest.

No Christmas Turkey For U. S. Soldiers Now at French Front

With the American Army in France, Dec. 20 (delayed).—The great bulk of the American expeditionary force will not get its expected Christmas dinner.

A submarine attack forced the ship which was carrying cranberries to turn back, and through some unknown circumstances two ships which were carrying the supplies of turkey left the United States so late that it was impossible for them to arrive in France in time. Turkey now in the Army zone were left over from Thanksgiving, as was the mince meat which has been received. This supply will not go far.

The Superintendent says in part: "It is an ancient saying that when Mars rages, the humanities decay. The god of war is always apt to interfere with the regular work of the schools. The present war is no exception. The call to the colors has reduced the attendance at our colleges and professional schools. Enlistment and the draft have taken away many teachers whose places it is difficult or impossible to fill.

"Of all the problems which the federal government has put up to the schools, none has greater significance for the future prosperity of our people than the problem of vocational education. There was a time when we could put the American workman into competition with his rivals in every country of Europe, none as great as that which we are now facing. The American workman under the European workman, under the stress of dire necessity, has acquired a maximum of speed and efficiency. We shall be up against a new kind of competition in the industrial and commercial rivalry which is sure to follow the world crisis in which the nations are now involved.

"The colored people have come north, not by the carload, but by the individual, and in the near future their children will become pupils in our public schools. Let us endeavor to avoid the mistake which is made in educating the descendants of the individuals who came north in the days of the 'underground railroad.' The third and fourth generations are now in our public schools. They are no most of them to do more than

"With the free textbooks and supplies, our school savings banks and our opportunities for investing small sums in thrift stamps, pupils can be taught, not merely to save their pennies, but also to take proper care of the books and supplies which are furnished free in all our schools. Care of public property, especially school property, will beget care in the expenditure of the money that has been raised by taxation for the support of the Government and the education of the people. Our efforts to secure thrift should be supplemented by efforts to secure economy in the management of the resources of the state and the nation.

Train Kills Pair on Present-Buying Trip

Chester, Pa., Dec. 22.—While on their way to visit the stores and select Christmas gifts yesterday, Robert Clark, 70 years old, and his granddaughter, Elva Clark, both residents of Linwood, were instantly killed when an express train on the Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington division of the Pennsylvania Railroad struck them at a grade crossing near their home.

The bodies were badly mangled. "Some people say that he might do just as much for his countrymen by continuing his concert work and his composing and helping the cause of Poland through that channel. That he has already done, that he has done since the beginning of the war, but he feels that is not enough. Clark and his little granddaughter kept the purpose of their visit to the village a secret from other members of the family, but a list of names of relatives and articles which were to be purchased for each was found in the child's little handbag.

SUPPER FOR SENIOR CLASS

Marysville, Pa., Dec. 22.—Members of the senior class of the Marysville High School were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Renfer, members of the class. A sauerkraut supper was served to these members: Miss Adella Smith, Miss Frances Fortenbaugh, Miss Mary Deckard, Miss Anna Hamaker, Miss Aida Gault, Harvey Bratton, William Keller, Percy White, John Shearer and James Renfer.



ORATORIO AND CHORAL SINGING

America Loses Because She is Rich Enough to Buy Music

By JOHN W. PHILLIPS One of the reasons for the apparently slow advance of the real appreciation of music in America is because we have been rich enough to buy our music. Foreigners, speaking and singing a strange tongue, and well advertised by astute managers, have been liberally supported, and have even become wealthy. While they aroused our curiosity to a great extent, they have bettered our real musical appreciation to a small extent only.

Opera is well attended in three or four large cities, yet there is always a financial deficit. The large attendance is no proof of musical appreciation. It is rather a sign of star worship and a desire to see as well as to hear; for opera is practically a play set to music. In many of the large cities recitals of various kinds are well attended. The music student and teachers themselves make up a goodly part of such audiences, because the student is there to learn and the teacher is there to learn also, and to make mental analysis of any new development that might be worth adopting for his own use.

ing, but it is the least supported. A great deal of music is thrust upon the people in the smaller cities. A manager comes along, he arouses curiosity. He gets the local committee all "hot up." The artist is booked. The event is looked forward to with almost as much awe as the millennium itself. Many tickets are sold; the artist comes to cover expenses. After the smoke of the train has died away the raving dies with it, and the audience, individually, and collectively is back to work. Not much wiser musically. There may be a few souls who get some inspiration from such an event; but, generally, the audience is left with a sense of loss. Outside artists, for the solos cost, are obtained if necessary, at first, but the best of the local talent should be chosen for adjustment to the community. Deceiving ourselves with the belief that people, and especially young people, will voluntarily take up good reading, that poetry and even the Scriptures, but if this class of literature can be woven into music, the stress of dire necessity, has a study is opened; and herein lies the charm, and power, and good influence of choral singing. But how many choral societies go to pieces for want of support? What is the trouble?

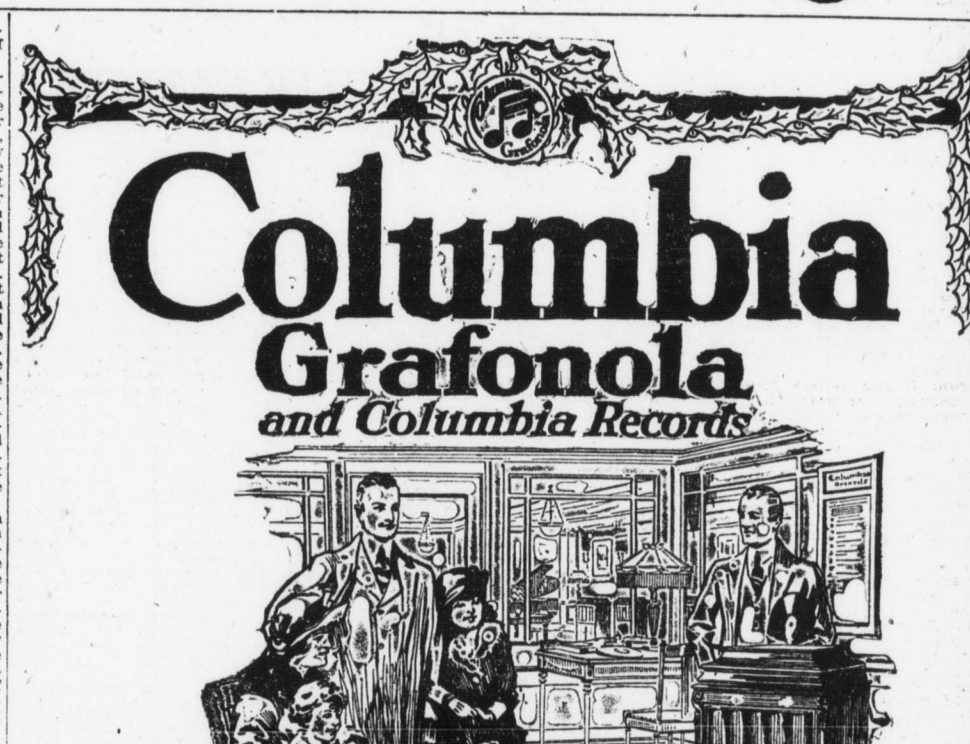
PADEREWSKI IS INSPIRING POLES

Gives Up Concert Work to Organize Army of His Countrymen

In ancient times it was quite the order of things for a bard to come before the populace and, by his songs of might and victory, inspire them to battle. It is, therefore, with a touch of this old world glory that news comes of the new work of Ignace Paderewski, the world-famous pianist and composer. For, he is known to all who are interested in the career of this great Pole that, instead of continuing his work of charming an audience of people, he has taken up the more stupendous task of inspiring an army of soldiers. M. Paderewski is at the present time organizing an army of 500,000 Poles to be sent over to France and fight for the honor and rehabilitation of their country. According to Madame Helena Paderewski, his wife, M. Paderewski feels that nothing at the present time is of equal importance to the work he has undertaken. She says, in speaking of this new army: "M. Paderewski has been organizing them, and leading them. He has felt all along that the power and the desire were both there, and he has felt that the moment to do their utmost for the cause of Poland and that all that was needed was somebody to gather them into a great mass, to unite them and make them into a strong and powerful whole. That he has done and that he will continue to do just as long as the war needs him. "Some people say that he might do just as much for his countrymen by continuing his concert work and his composing and helping the cause of Poland through that channel. That he has already done, that he has done since the beginning of the war, but he feels that is not enough. Clark and his little granddaughter kept the purpose of their visit to the village a secret from other members of the family, but a list of names of relatives and articles which were to be purchased for each was found in the child's little handbag.

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MUST CARRY COAL

Because of the high piles of snow along the curbs of the streets, many coal dealers have been forced to give orders to their drivers to pile the coal on the pavement and let the consumers carry it into the house. This measure is necessary owing to the lack of men to deliver the coal. It has heretofore been the custom to carry the coal to the cellars in bars when chutes could not be used, but the recent shortage of labor has thrown the burden on the consumer.

SEEKS JAIL WARMTH

Joe Reddy, notorious police character, last night made another unsuccessful attempt to break into jail, the tenth attempt in as many days. Reddy's chief ambition now, it seems, is to spend Christmas in jail, and the police magistrate refused to accommodate him. Reddy is notorious, in that in the summer he always pleads to be released when he is in jail, and during unfavorable weather, always makes his attempt to spend the time in jail.