

DISCUSS STUDY OF KAISER'S TONGUE

Language Has Some Value, City Superintendent Declares

To study German or not to study German is the question puzzling educators of Harrisburg and the state today. The Telegraph recently printed an interview with E. Moeslein to the effect that in ten years the German language would no longer be heard in this vicinity, and told how the High school pupils are refusing to study the language. Now comes a statement from Dr. F. E. Downes, city superintendent of schools, and another from Dr. Nathan C. Schaeffer, state superintendent of public instruction, both cautioning against too much haste.

Dr. Downes has this to say: "We are apt to do things under the stress of excitement that we are not likely to do in our saner moods, we are in no position at the present time to exercise our cool judgment on this question of eliminating German." He then proceeds to point out:

"Of course we are not primarily fighting a language; we are fighting a militaristic condition. The German language, as is the case with all the leading modern languages, has its value as a school study, in spite of argument to the contrary at this time, and it has secular value in business and science.

"My answer is that we ought to do nothing in haste. Personally I think the study of the language is more useful to us after the war is over in our commercial relations than it was before the war began, and if the war lasts long, it might be that it will be useful even in helping our soldiers win the war. The whole system, for example, is based on the principles of being able to know what the enemy is saying and doing."

His conclusion is that, after the manner of a republic like ours, the people themselves will eventually determine what is wanted. This, too, is the note struck in Dr. Schaeffer's reply to Gabriel H. Moyer, president of the P. O. S. of A. in Pennsylvania, who said that the Federal Government should decide that German is to be eliminated from the schools. I feel sure that all the school officials of Pennsylvania will obey the mandate." His letter follows:

Harrisburg, Pa. "Dear Sir: In reply to your letter I wish to say what I have often said, that in my opinion, no pupil should be obliged to study German against his will or against the wishes of his parents. In this crisis I deem it neither wise nor patriotic to go contrary to the policy and the wishes of the President of the United States. In a letter re-published March 30th in 'School and Society' Hon. P. P. Claxton, United States Commissioner of Education, makes a plea in favor of the retention of the teaching of

President Names April 26 to Be Liberty Day in Third Loan Drive

PRESIDENT WILSON last night issued the following Liberty Day declaration:

"By the President of the United States of America. A proclamation. An enemy who has grossly abused the power of organized government and who seeks to dominate the world by might of the sword, challenges the rights of America and the liberty and life of all the free nations of the earth. Our brave sons are facing the fire of battle in defense of the honor and rights of America and the liberty of nations. To sustain them and to assist our gallant associates in the war, a generous and patriotic people have been called upon to subscribe to the Third Liberty Loan.

"Now, therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States of America, do appoint Friday, the twenty-sixth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, as Liberty Day. On the afternoon of that day I request the people of the United States to assemble in their respective communities and liberally pledge anew their financial support to sustain the nation's cause. Patriotic demonstrations should be held in every city, town and hamlet throughout the land under the general direction of the Secretary of the Treasury and the immediate direction of the Liberty Loan Committees organized by the Federal Reserve Banks. Let the nation's response to the Third Liberty Loan express in unmistakable terms the determination of America to fight for peace, the permanent peace of justice.

"For the purpose of participating in Liberty Day celebrations, all employees of the Federal Government throughout the country whose services can be spared may be excused at 12 o'clock noon, Friday, the twenty-sixth day of April. "In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. "Done in the District of Columbia, this eighteenth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, and of the independence of the United States of America one hundred and forty-second.

"WOODROW WILSON, "By the President. "ROBERT LANSING, "Secretary of State."

German in our schools and colleges and in the closing paragraph he says "I have reason to believe that the views and sentiment expressed in this letter are fully in harmony with those of the administration at Washington." In that letter he further says "I sincerely hope the school officers and teachers everywhere will take the broad and sane view of this subject. To do so, I believe, in no way will interfere as a lack of loyalty to the United States, nor can failure to do so in any way strengthen our position in the war or enable us to bring it to a successful end more quickly."

"As the law now stands the elimination of German from the curriculum of the public schools is a question to be settled by the board of school directors of each school district. The leading characteristics of the pupils in our public schools are patriotism and loyalty. This is due to the patriotism and loyalty of the teachers in charge of our schools. The nature of the instruction in history and any foreign language depends upon the teachers who give the instruction and the text books which are placed in the hands of the pupils. We have a law upon the statute books of Pennsylvania that, in all schools the common branches

must be taught daily in the English language. This law is obeyed in all our public schools and the late Bishop Shanahan did his utmost to assist in having the law obeyed in all the parochial schools of Pennsylvania. "I have always held that it is the duty of the public schools to support the Federal Government in every possible way and I regret that our appropriations have been so tied up by legislation that we could not use the money for more extensive war activities in our vocational and other schools. If the Federal Government should decide that German is to be eliminated from the schools I feel sure that all the school officials of Pennsylvania will obey the mandate and if the Pennsylvania legislature should forbid the teaching of German in our schools and colleges, the legislation would be obeyed strictly and promptly. Where school boards find it wise to eliminate German from the curriculum they should substitute some other language like French or Spanish which give equal culture and are equally valuable for industrial and commercial purposes. Very respectfully yours, NATHAN C. SCHAEFFER, State Supt. of Public Instruction. UaeCfbndpnta taoinunumnu

NEWS OF WEST SHORE

School Board Will Invest Sinking Fund in Bonds

Camp Hill, April 19.—To-day the Camp Hill School Board announced that at the meeting last evening it was decided to invest the entire sinking fund of \$5,000 in Liberty Bonds, Dr. W. F. Kendall, and W. L. Roland, members of the Camp Hill Liberty Loan Committee and members of the School Board urged this action. With the purchase of this amount of bonds last night Camp Hill's subscriptions to date stand at about \$10,000. George Cook is chairman of the campaign committee and Addison M. Bowman is secretary.

VISITORS' DAY AT CALVARY—Washington Heights, Pa., April 19.—Visitors' Day will be observed on May 5 by Calvary United Brethren Sunday school. Committees have been appointed to arrange for it and some special invitations will be given, the object being to obtain an increased attendance.

REMODELING LODGE BUILDING—Lemoyne, Pa., April 19.—The two story brick building at the corner of Hernan avenue and Rossmore street, formerly used by the J. O. U. A. M. before the lodge disbanded, is being remodeled into an apartment house. The building was used by the Junior lodge and by the P. O. S. of A.

BOYS' BRIGADE RALLY DAY—New Cumberland, April 19.—The Boys' Brigade is planning for a big rally on April 26 at 6.30 p. m. this being the date of their second anniversary. There will be plenty of eats and plenty of entertainment. All members of the brigade are requested to be present in uniform.

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Small Class to Graduate at Wormleysburg High

Wormleysburg, Pa., April 19.—Arrangements for the annual High school commencement exercises to be held in the town hall Friday, April 26, at which time five students will graduate, are nearing completion. Those to graduate are: Miss Helen Baer, Miss Jean Hummel, Miss Ida Swegert, Miss Grace Reed and Harry Elson.

Miss Helen Baer is valedictorian, and Miss Jean Hummel salutatorian. The commencement program is now being arranged by the School Board. The program will consist of orations by members of the graduating class, presentation of diplomas and music by an out-of-town orchestra. The class is the smallest in the history of the school. The colors are purple and gold.

PLAY BY JUNIORS—Camp Hill, Pa., April 19.—Everything is in readiness for the play, "Betty Wales and Captain Kidd," to be given this evening in the Camp Hill school auditorium by the members of the Junior department of the Emergency Aid. The proceeds from the play will be used in purchasing materials to be used in the war aid work of the society.

CAMP HILL STREET REPAIRS—Camp Hill, Pa., April 19.—Spring repair work in Market street was started yesterday morning when a squad of workmen were detailed to scrape the runways of the road. Repairs will be made preparatory to placing the oil.

Social and Personal Items of Towns Along West Shore

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Tritt and sons and E. M. Peffer, of Washington Heights, motored to Carlisle where they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Tritt.

Mr. Otto, of Carlisle, visited his sons, George and Mervin, at Washington Heights in Monday.

Mrs. R. M. Peffer, of Washington Heights, spent Thursday with Mrs. I. W. Rishel, at Harrisburg. Mr. and Mrs. David Eshleman, of Washington Heights, visited Mr. and Mrs. Harro, of White Hill.

Misses Margaret Jenkins and Katherine Hoover, of Wormleysburg, were guests of Miss Mary Rishel, at Washington Heights. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Jacobs, of Harrisburg, visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Byrum, at Washington Heights.

Miss Hilda Famous, of Wormleysburg, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Peffer, at Washington Heights. Mrs. Linebaugh, Mrs. E. C. Deme and Mrs. Naoma Oren, of New Cumberland, attended the Sunday school convention at Carlisle on Wednesday. Mrs. Charles Yeager and niece, Florence Sider, of Highspire, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Yinger, at New Cumberland, yesterday. Sergeant Harry Stone, of Camp Hancock, Augusta, Ga., is visiting his brother in Water street, New Cumberland.

Careless Use of Soap Spoils the Hair

SMILEAGE BOOK SALES—Lemoyne, April 19.—The smileage book committee here reported a large sale of books up to noon today. The campaign is being waged by a committee of ten in charge of George Palmer, chairman. The town has been divided into districts and members assigned to their parts. Official reports of the sales will be made by Chairman Palmer not later than Monday evening.

Soap should be used very carefully, if you want to keep your hair looking its best. Most soaps and prepared shampoos contain too much alkali. This dries the scalp, makes the hair brittle, and ruins it. The best thing for steady use is just ordinary mulsified coconut oil (which is pure and greaseless), and is better than the most expensive soap or anything else you can use. One or two teaspoonfuls will cleanse the hair and scalp thoroughly. Simply moisten the hair with water and rub it in. It makes an abundance of rich, creamy lather, which rinses out easily, removing every particle of dust, dirt, dandruff and excessive oil. The hair dries quickly and evenly, and it leaves the scalp soft, and the hair fine and silky, bright, lustrous, fluffy and easy to manage. You can get mulsified coconut oil at any pharmacy. It's very cheap, and a few ounces will supply every member of the family for months.

Leonard Cleanable Refrigerators That Will Save Food to Help Win the War



Built to Provide Ample Circulation of Cold Dry Air—The only way to keep food from spoiling during hot weather is to provide an ample circulation of cold, dry air. Our refrigerators are scientifically designed to conform to the principle of refrigeration, providing a constant circulation that keeps all foods pure and sweet. White enameled shelves and walls make them easy to keep clean. Join our club, have a Leonard Refrigerator delivered and pay weekly.



Back Up the Nation That Is Back of These Liberty Bonds—The total resources of this great nation are back of its Liberty Bond issue and it is up to every one of us to back our country to the fullest extent. The least we can do in this great struggle for democracy is to invest in Liberty Bonds which will pay us a handsome dividend on our investment in two ways. One in money, and the other in the satisfaction that we are true citizens in every sense and that we are doing our share to bring about an early and lasting peace.

Advertisement for shoes featuring a large image of a boot and text: \$4.85 For Ladies' \$6 and \$7 Spring Boots. This amazingly low price for Saturday, combined with the great array of splendid new Spring styles—makes this offer doubly interesting to women who appreciate good values. Be sure and see these boots tomorrow.

Advertisement for shoes featuring images of men's and women's shoes and text: Men's Shoes \$5.00 Classy New Spring Styles of Men's Dress Shoes. Women's \$5 Spring Shoes. High lace models in plain and colored combination leathers. High and low heels. All sizes. A real \$5 value at \$3.95.

Advertisement for children's shoes featuring images of various styles and text: Children's Department. You save 25 to 33 per cent at Books. Girls' Fancy Shoes. Misses' and Child's Black Calf Shoes. Little Boys' Shoes. Boys' Dress Shoes.

Advertisement for a Reed Baby Carriage featuring an image of the carriage and text: Reed Baby Carriage \$25.75. Made of Genuine Woven Reed. Natural Finish With Green Lined Hood. This carriage has tubular pusher, reversible body, storm cover to match lining of cart.

Advertisement for a Hoosier Kitchen Cabinet featuring an image of the cabinet and text: HOOSIER KITCHEN CABINET PERFECTED BY MANY EXPERTS. THE Hoosier Cabinet is a 20-year development. It embodies all the best kitchen short-cuts known to kitchen science.

Advertisement for Rothery Company featuring text: Rothery Company THE HOUSE OF QUALITY 312 Market Street. Furniture, Carpets, Stoves, Sewing Machines. We Furnish Your Home Complete On Liberal Payments.