

INQUIRY INTO PLAYGROUNDS

State Board Will Issue Information to District Schools.

ASKING OPINIONS ON SUBJECT

Standard Plans for School Houses Have Been Supplied and the Commissioners Will Now Supply Data for All Adjuncts.

(Special Harrisburg Correspondence.)

Harrisburg.—The first complete investigation of the playground problem to be undertaken by a State has been directed by the new Pennsylvania State Board of Education for the purpose of obtaining data regarding these important adjuncts to schools which can be issued to the school authorities of the hundreds of districts in the State. It has been recognized that a playground is as important to school children and to a community as a good schoolhouse and as the board has already supplied standard plans for all kinds of districts outside of the larger cities it is now bending its energies to be of practical assistance in another line. The school code provides that no school buildings are to be built without a proper playground is included, a proposition which has been generally endorsed and so that information regarding such grounds may be available letters are being sent all over the State and throughout the country asking for experiences in laying out and operating playgrounds. The letters sent to people in this State ask for opinions of people as to what constitutes a playground, this being a point on which it is believed many ideas can be obtained. The inquiries are also as to what people think should be the minimum size for a rural school and the size for schools of various sizes, as well as views or experience on the attitude of the general public toward the playground, the question of school gardens and the conditions coming under notice.

Campaign Expenses.

J. Harry Stroup, treasurer of the Republican candidates campaign committee filed his account in the prothonotary's office. The account shows contributions to the amount of \$3,736. M. E. Olmsted having contributed \$560 and William Coleman Freeman, \$1,700. Mr. Freeman having sent his check for \$1,500 to W. B. Meetch, assessor, and later instructed Mr. Meetch to endorse the check payable to J. Harry Stroup, treasurer. The account shows disbursements to the amount of \$3,672.15 for printing, newspaper advertising, teams, automobile hire, street car tickets, poll workers and watches in the different districts in the county. There appears to be a balance of \$63.85 in the hands of the treasurer, and under the head of unpaid bills appears an item of \$240 for printing.

Control of San Jose Scale.

Deputy Secretary of Agriculture A. L. Martin, who has been on a tour of central counties, says that this is the finest kind of planting weather for farmers and that the rains have insured an excellent crop of everything except wheat. The demonstrations of methods for control of San Jose scale which started in southern counties are to be pushed owing to the fact that blossoms are now commencing to fall from fruit trees.

Reciprocal Medical Licenses.

A conference was held between Dr. J. M. Baldy, of Philadelphia, head of the new State Bureau of Medical Educational and Licensure, and Dr. N. C. Schaeffer, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, regarding the making of reciprocal arrangements on medical licenses with New York and New Jersey. The negotiations are now pending.

At-Large Aspirants' Expenses Low.

Five of the men nominated at recent State conventions for Congressmen at large filed their expense accounts at the Capitol, each showing expenditures of less than \$50. The men filing were A. H. Walters, A. R. Rupley, John M. Morin and F. E. Lewis, Republican nominees, and George R. McLean, Democrat. John H. Nugent, a Republican aspirant, filed a similar paper.

Large Payment.

Murrell Dobbins, city treasurer of Philadelphia, made the largest payment of the month, a check for \$209,946.19 being sent on account of the liquor licenses.

Increase of Stock.

The Joseph Heacock Company, of Jenkintown, which is headed by Senator Joseph Heacock, gave notice of an increase of its stock from \$24,000 to \$50,000.

To Hear Suburban Fare Case.

The State Railroad Commission began its May session and fixed a day for the hearing of argument in the cases involving increases of fare on suburban lines in the vicinity of Philadelphia. The Pennsylvania and Philadelphia & Reading companies are the defendants. A hearing will be given to a committee of members of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen on the method to be adopted in enforcing the full-fare act, but as the constitutionality of the law is to be argued it is likely that it will be continued.

SNAPSHOTS AT STATE NEWS

All Pennsylvania Gleaned for Items of Interest.

REPORTS ABOUT CROPS GOOD

Farmers Busy in Every Locality—Churches Raising Funds for Many Worthy Objects—Items of Business and Pleasure that Interest.

James R. Cooper has planted a peach orchard of 500 trees on his farm near Taylorsville.

Vincent Donahue was jolted from a wagon at Girardville, fell headlong to the brick paving, and was fatally hurt.

Lancaster county has the heaviest hay crop in its history; but its tobacco crop is about a month behind in planting.

Lansford business men are urging the Lehigh & New England Railroad Company to extend its line into that town.

Russell Dietrich, of Easton, has been appointed superintendent of State roads in Northampton, Monroe and Carbon counties.

Injuries sustained at Edison's cement plant at New Village, caused the death at the Easton Hospital of John Phillips.

The Chester Board of Trade started a movement with the view of having the Court House removed from Media, the county seat, to the former city.

"Most every one gets drunk once in a while, at McKees Rocks, your Honor," explained a new constable, grilled by a Pittsburgh Judge.

The Rev. Jacob Singer, pastor of the congregation of Beth Israel Temple, York, has accepted a call from Temple B'nai Jeshuran, Lincoln, Neb.

As Stanislaw Gulick, a well-known citizen of Mahanoy Plane, was trying to cross the street he was run down by a cyclist and his skull was fractured.

William Williams and wife were driving to Shamokin from Hickory Swamp, when the latter fell back in the carriage and died from a stroke of apoplexy.

Walter Brookings gave a short flight in his aeroplane at Altoona and landed in a marsh. He had to take his machine apart to get it out. Brookings was uninjured.

Stephen Butler, of Girardville, and a number of companions, rendered idle by the coal suspension, were riding on a Reading freight train near Shamokin, when he fell between the cars and was killed.

Over one hundred automobile owners have signified their intention of participating in the automobile parade and demonstration the first day of the Cumberland Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association Convention in Waynesboro.

Henry Huber, of Pittston, is making arrangements to visit his former home in Germany. It is thirty-four years since he left his native land. Mr. Huber came to this country September 11, 1872. He remained a couple of years and returned again to Germany, where he spent some few years, and again came to America.

Monroe Cottage, known as the old Fisher homestead, located midway between East Stroudsburg and Anapimink, was sold for \$7,000 to a Philadelphia, who will make the place a home for retired Catholic priests. The property consists of 126 acres, and is along the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad.

Emmett Groner, the carrier on Honesdale R. D. route No. 1, makes his deliveries with an automobile, and most of his patrons get their daily mail three hours earlier than heretofore. Mr. Groner leaves the office at 11 o'clock and covers the 25 miles in four hours. Formerly with a horse it took him over seven hours to cover his route.

One of the surest signs that Smethport, McKean county, is still on the map is the fact that it is impossible to secure a desirable tenant house in the borough at the present time. When the houses are all occupied, and the rents at top notch, it does not look very much like a dead community, does it?

Gypsies who went to Hazleton from Danville and were arrested for getting \$20 under false pretenses from a foreigner at Sheppton, were ordered away from Jeannetteville, where they had pitched their camp.

Seventy-nine residents of Northumberland county have taken out papers in the office of Frederick J. Byrod, Prothonotary and Clerk of the Courts, preliminary to becoming citizens of the United States of America. This is the largest number in a year in that county.

PLANS GREAT BASS HATCHERY

State Fish Commissioner Hopes to Distribute 300,000 Yearly.

FORMER EFFORT A FAILURE

Largest and Most Efficient Plant in the World—Four Small Lakes of Five Acres Each Designed to Stock State Streams.

Pleasant Mount.—In connection with the State fish hatchery that has existed here for the last ten years Nathan R. Buller, the Pennsylvania Commissioner of Fisheries, is now constructing the largest and most efficient plant for the production of black bass in the world. He hopes to distribute 300,000 young fish in State bass streams each year. Pleasant Mount was originally designed as a trout hatchery, the site being donated to the State of Pennsylvania. Mr. Buller has decided to make it principally a bass hatchery, for which the quantity and temperature of the water and natural location are admirable. To make an ideal bass hatchery the Commissioner has designed four small lakes, averaging five acres each, whose greatest depth will be 12 feet. The first one of these lakes, six acres in extent, has been completed, and it has been stocked with 500 adult fish, weighing three pounds apiece. It is the intention of the Fisheries Department of Pennsylvania not to distribute the bass until they are from three to five inches long, old and strong enough to enable them to take care of themselves in the stream where they will be planted. Formerly bass were distributed when still tiny, and this attempt at increasing the supply of these fish throughout Pennsylvania was a failure. The lakes will be so designed that when the time comes for distribution the water can be drawn off and the young netted.

Confiscates Slot Machines.

Hazleton.—John Brill, a policeman, took novel means to collect a bill which he says William E. Cantner, proprietor of the Freeland Central hotel, has owned him for 24 years. Brill was in the cigar business at the time and Cantner conducted a restaurant here. Cantner then moved away and later located at Freeland, where Brill says he played two slot machines in Cantner's hotel. Swearing out a warrant for the arrest of Cantner on the charge of maintaining gambling devices, Brill went to Freeland and confiscated the machines, which he and Constable Henry Zeigler brought to town, where Brill emptied the slots and obtained \$14.

Joy in Scranton.

Scranton.—When the afternoon special editions of the papers and the window bulletins announced that the anthracite convention had ratified the tentative agreement the mixture of pleasant expectancy and mild fear gave way to joy of the most emphatic kind. Everybody greeted everybody else cheerily and discussed the news and what it means for the future. Among the miners the same feeling prevailed. They were tired of the idleness and, being convinced that nothing was to be gained by further fighting, they are glad to have it over with.

Wages Raised Voluntarily.

Easton.—Although there had been no demand, the 500 weavers employed at the mill of the Northampton Silk Company were notified when they quit work, they will be given an increase of half a cent per yard for weaving, amounting to an average increase of 15 cents a day in the pay of each operative, and they will be required to work but 55 hours a week.

Barn Falls Kill Two.

Bethlehem.—William Ernst, of Bath, fell to his death from the second story of Henry Vogel's barn there. Ernst was employed in the barn and, falling to notice an open door, he stepped out into space. While working in the hay loft, Charles Frey, of Myersville, accidentally stepped into a feed chute. He landed several feet below on the hard floor and sustained a fractured neck, death being instantaneous.

Bellefonte Plants Resume.

Bellefonte.—Orders came from New York City to those in charge of the Nittany Iron Works and the Bellefonte furnace to put both plants in blast and to ship four carloads of iron a day from each. Both have been idle for ten years. A company is also being formed to put in operation the Bellefonte foundry and machine shops, which have been idle for three years.

Gift by Blankenburg.

Norristown.—Mayor Blankenburg, of Philadelphia, has presented to the Norristown Library a large photographic copy of the portrait of Major General Louis Libeque Du Portail, which hangs in Independence Hall, Philadelphia. The portrait was painted prior to 1789 by Charles Wilson Peale and hung in the Independence Museum until 1854, when it was bought by the city of Philadelphia. Chevalier Du Portail was an engineer in the French army and came to this country as a volunteer in 1777.

OLD AND NEW WORLD BRIEFS FOR THE BUSY

Edward Heath, of Brooklyn, tried to ride the trick "donkey" in an amusement park on Coney Island. He lost his hold and fell to the floor so heavily that he fractured his skull and died a few minutes later.

A fire started in the plant of a big furniture company in Houston, Texas, and spread to adjoining buildings and caused damage aggregating \$1,000,000 before it was checked.

The New York Milk Committee plans a country-wide agitation for purer milk. It also will try to force the local Board of Health to raise the standard of requirement for New York.

Dr. Avery E. Lambert was elected dean of Middlebury College in Vermont to succeed the late Walter E. Howard.

Of the 15,000 bushels of bonded Canadian grain handled by the elevators in Duluth, there are only 3,000,000 bushels left.

The Titanic inquiry in London reveals more and more conditions aboard British ships that make a profound impression in England.

Johnny Kilbane, the American featherweight champion, convinced the crowd at his fight with Frankie Burns that he is a first class boxer but not a hard hitting fighter of the old school.

The fund now being subscribed by private citizens for a German air fleet has reached a total of more than \$5,000,000, and about \$2,500,000 more is promised.

The captain and other officers of the Californian testified at the British Titanic inquiry that they saw lights and rockets on the night of the disaster, but contended that the same could not have proceeded from the Titanic; their evidence was largely discredited in cross-examination.

THE MARKETS.

(New York Wholesale Prices.)

MILK.—The wholesale price is 34c per quart in 100, 200, 300 or 400 quart cans, delivered in New York.

Butter.
Creamery extras 29 @ 29 1/2
Firsts 29 @ 29 1/2
Seconds 28 @ 28 1/2
Thirds 27 @ 27 1/2
State, dairy, finest 28 1/2 @ 29
Good to prime 28 @ 29
Common to fair 28 @ 29

Eggs.
State, Pa., and nearby, henery white, fancy, new laid @ 24
State, Pa., and nearby, selected white, fair to good @ 23 1/2
Brown henery, @ 23
Gathered brown, mixed colors, 20 @ 21
Western gathered white 21 1/2 @ 22 1/2
Extra 22 @ 23
Duck eggs, Eastern 19 @ 20
Duck eggs, western 19 @ 20
Duck eggs, southern 18 @ 19
Goose eggs 25 @ 30

Live Poultry.
Broilers, per lb 40 @ 45
Fowls, via express 16 @ 21
Fowls, via freight, per lb 16 @ 21
Roosters, per lb 16 @ 21
Turkeys, mixed hens and toms, per lb 12 @ 13
Geese, per lb 9 @ 10
Guinea, per pair 6 @ 6
Pigeons, per pair 6 @ 6

Vegetables.
Asparagus, dozen bunches 75 @ 75
Broccoli, per dozen 2.00 @ 2.50
Beans—
South Carolina 1.00 @ 1.25
Georgia, per basket 1.00 @ 1.25
Florida, per basket 1.00 @ 1.25
Beets, S. C., per 100 bunches 3.00 @ 3.00
N. O., per 100 bunches 1.00 @ 3.00
Carrots—
Virginia, per barrel 1.25 @ 1.50
N. C., per crate 1.25 @ 1.62
S. C., per crate 1.00 @ 2.00
Fla., per crate 1.00 @ 1.75
Rutabaga, per crate 1.00 @ 1.25
Cucumbers, Fla., per basket 2.50 @ 4.75
Cauliflowers, Fla., per basket 2.50 @ 7.50
Eggplants, Fla., per doz 1.00 @ 1.25
Horradish, per 100 lbs 1.00 @ 2.00
Lettuce, per barrel 1.50 @ 2.00
Per basket 2.50 @ 9.00
Lima beans, Fla., per basket 1.00 @ 4.00
Mint, per 100 bunches 1.00 @ 1.50
Onions—
Per crate 1.50 @ 1.55
Okra, per carrier 1.50 @ 3.50
Peas, per basket 5.00 @ 3.00
Parsley, N. O., plain per barrel 3.00 @ 5.00
N. O., curly, per barrel 1.50 @ 2.50
Peppers, bbls, bxs, or carriers 1.25 @ 2.50
Turnips, per bbl 2.50 @ 3.00
Romaine, per basket 1.00 @ 1.25
Per box 1.00 @ 1.25
Radishes, per 100 bunches 1.00 @ 1.50
Per basket 2.50 @ 7.50
Rutabaga, per 100 bunches 1.00 @ 1.25
Shallots, per 100 bunches 1.00 @ 1.50
Spinach, per bbl 3.00 @ 4.00
Squash—
Fla., white, per box 5.00 @ 1.00
Per basket 2.50 @ 5.00
Yellow, crooked-neck per box 1.25 @ 1.75
Per basket 1.00 @ 1.25
Turnips, Rutabaga, per bbl 2.00 @ 3.00
Southern white per bbl 5.00 @ 1.25
Tomatoes, Fla., per dozen 1.00 @ 2.00
Watercress, per 100 bunches 1.00 @ 2.00

Mothouse.

Cucumbers, No. 1, per dozen 75 @ 75
No. 2, per box 2.00 @ 3.00
Culls, per box 1.00 @ 1.50
Cauliflowers, per dozen 2.00 @ 3.00
Mushrooms, 4-lb. basket 75 @ 1.50
Butternuts, 4-lb. basket 50 @ 75
Tomatoes, per basket 10 @ 20

Spot Markets at a Glance.

Wheat, No. 2 red, city 1.24 1/2
Oats standard 52 1/2
Flour, spring patent, bbl 5.50
Corn, steamer, yellow nom.
Lard, prime, 100 lbs 6 1/2 @ 6 3/4
Tallow, city bbls 6 1/2 @ 6 3/4
Pork, mess, bbl 20 7/8
Coffee, Rio No. 7, lb 14 1/2 @ 14 3/4
Tea, of Fuzhou, lb 1.12 @ 1.12
Sugar, fine, gran., lb 5.10 @ 5.10
Butter, extras 30 1/2
Cheese, prime, 100 lbs 20 1/2 @ 20 1/2
Eggs, extra firsts 20 1/2 @ 20 1/2
Cotton 11.80
Tobacco—
B. & R. D. 55
Conn. wrapper 55

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Together Tell of Weak or Disordered Kidneys.

Much pain that masks as rheumatism is due to weak kidneys—to their failure to drive off uric acid thoroughly. "When you suffer aching, bad joints, backache, too, with some kidney disorders, get Doan's Kidney Pills, which have cured thousands.



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Miss Caustique—In her comb?

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The Silver Cup

at the recent Spokane Fair was awarded to the exhibitor of the best exhibit of grains, grasses and vegetables. Reports of excellent yields for 1910 come also from Saskatchewan and Manitoba in Western Canada.

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Looking Forward.

The husband and wife were making a call on friends one evening. The wife was talking.

"I think we shall have Marian take a domestic science course along with her music and regular studies when at college."

"Ah," said a man present, who had been a stranger until that evening, "you look rather young to have a daughter ready for college."

"Oh," said the mother, naively, "she isn't old enough now; she is just eight months old, but I do so like to look forward!"—Indianapolis News.

Exceptions.

"Don't you believe a soft answer turns away wrath. I tried it the other day with my wife."

"And she got mad?"

"Did she? She asked me what her biscuits tasted like, and I merely said 'mush.'"

The Difference.

"Pop, will you tell me one thing?"

"Yes, son."

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