

**PUT OFF SCHOOL  
THRIFT SAVING**

Commissioners Advised by  
Bankers Plan Not Practical.

Unwillingness on the part of local bankers to plunge into a system of educational thrift saving involving the expenditure of almost \$23,000 without careful investigation prompted the board of school commissioners, an special association, yesterday, to postpone indefinitely the plan, having submitted recently by the Educational Thrift Service, Inc., of New York. A committee composed of Commissioners Bert S. Gadd and Julia B. Tutowler and President Clarence Crippen was designated to wait upon the bankers' committee, into whose hands the selection of a plan of educational saving practically has been placed.

Seven Indiana banks received at the meeting in response to invitations sent by the board following its meeting Tuesday night. Representatives of the Educational Thrift Service, Inc., were in attendance.

**WOLCOTT SAYS PLAN  
BENEFITS TO CHILDREN.**

Following an introductory talk by Superintendent E. U. Graf, in which he explained the purpose of the meeting and emphasized the educational value of the saving habit, E. H. Wolcott, president of the State Savings and Trust Company and chairman of the bankers' committee to whom the proposition was originally referred by the board, spoke for the banking interests. He placed his arms on a conference table.

"There is no divergence of opinion among the bankers as to the benefit of the plan to school children," Mr. Wolcott said. "My remarks are confined to the practical side of the venture. We are completely in sympathy with the movement, but we have not yet been satisfied that the submitted system, at a cost of \$23,000, is the best method."

"Inasmuch as the proposition is that of thrift, we bankers must adopt the thrift suggestion and examine the plan carefully before adopting it. The cost of supplies and expense of installation are based on prices of yesterday and financial conditions are daily changing," continued Mr. Wolcott.

"Inquiries to bankers of other cities in which the plan is in operation indicates the system is not a proven success," Mr. Wolcott declared. "The idea is to help children become thrifty citizens, but at the same time it is advisable to investigate, especially in view of the present financial reaction. Because the plan suggested is not universal and is comparable to it, it takes time to investigate other systems."

**WOOLLEN FAVORS  
INVESTIGATION.**

President Evans Woollen of the Fletcher Savings and Trust Company, agreed that investigation should be made, but pointed out that any plan adopted would not bring immediate results to the bankers.

After discussion of the subject by President Reilly C. Adams, of the Security Trust Company, who is a member of the bankers' committee, and President Brandt C. Downey of the Commercial National Bank, an attack upon the tentative contract furnished by the Educational Thrift Service, Inc., was made by John P. Frenzel, president of the Indiana Teachers' Conference, and member of the bankers' committee.

"The contract presented was unconditional, open only for the approval of the corporation which seeks to install the thrift system," said Mr. Frenzel. "While the business representative explained satisfactorily all the details of the proposed contract, the written statements were vague and we do not feel that we wish to enter into any contract of that sort. Samples of supplies, health men used in the contract, were not furnished for inspection. This matter is not a question of good faith, but a business proposition in which \$23,000 is involved."

J. H. Stout, corporation representative, defended the challenge with the statement that the contract was but temporary, due to the inability of the bankers' committee to call a meeting in which a permanent contract could be affected.

The declaration of J. Edward Morris, president of the Washington Bank and

Trust Company, that success of the proposed system could not be assured led to the unanimous concurrence of the members that the investigation should be made, which resulted in the postponement "for a reasonable length of time" of action on a savings system plan by the board.

**HOORSCOPE**

"The stars incline, but do not compel!"

FRIDAY, DEC. 31.

This last day of the year is subject to an unfavorable rule, according to astrology, but it ends a twelve months

of such unusual events that it is well all the sinister forces thus culminate before the new year.

Although the stars may not smile on the earth today, they still give fair hope for the new year, which is to be much better than the old year.

One of the prognostications for 1921 is a general spiritual awakening that will be revealed in literature and art as well as in the churches.

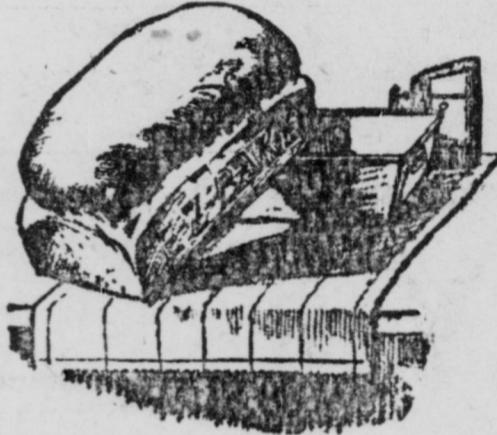
Persons whose birthday it is may have an eventful year. They should be careful of letters and writings. Business may be very strenuous.

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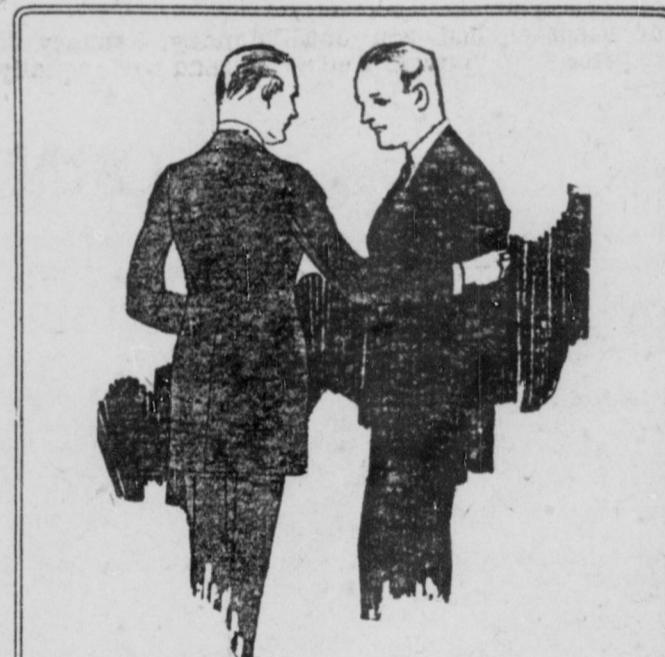
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