



# The Times Weekly School Page



## SET 11 P. T. A. MEETINGS FOR EARLY IN WEEK

Business Programs Ar-  
ranged; Entertainments  
to Be Featured.

Eleven Parent-Teacher groups of  
the city will hold varied business and  
entertainment meetings Monday and Wednesday of next week.

The Parent-Teacher Association of School 12 will meet Wednesday afternoon. Special music will be played by the Owen Orchestra. Wilma and Wilbur Baker will play a violin and saxophone duet and Joseph Calderon and Morris Schwartz will play violin solos.

"Exceptional Children" will be  
discussed by Mrs. Jeanette Williams,  
director of the department of education for exceptional children, before association of John McCormick School 30 Wednesday at 3 p. m.

The regular meeting of the association of School 53 will be held Wednesday at 3:10. There will be a talk on "Vocational Therapy." Thereon Castleman, of the Indiana College of Music and Fine Arts, will give a musical program, and Gilbert Mershon, 6-B pupil, will play the violin.

**Quartet on Program**

Miss Rousseau McClellan, head of the Biology department of Shortridge High School, will talk on "Birds" before the association of School 76 Wednesday at 3:15 p. m. The Beta Beta Quartet of Alpha Chi Omega, composed of Mrs. James Ogden, director, Mrs. Don U. Bridge, Mrs. Claus Best and Miss Toinette Nutter, will sing. Mrs. Clarence Weaver is accompanist.

The association of School 14 will meet Wednesday at 3:10 p. m. Walter Montgomery will give a demonstration of a cleaning process. The Mothers' Glee Club will sing.

Mrs. Logan G. Hughes, city federation president, will speak at the meeting of the association of School 20 Wednesday at 3:15. Mrs. Paul Whittaker will give a group of violin numbers and Lillian Hardy will give a reading.

**Candy Sale Planned**

The association of School 35 will meet in the school auditorium Wednesday at 8 p. m. Charles F. Miller, superintendent of schools, will talk on "Character Education." Carl Johnson and Willard Miller will give violin selections and Miss Elizabeth Weiland will give a piano solo. The Kitchen Cabinet Orchestra, consisting of members of the P. T. A., under the direction of Mrs. Ernest Carden, and accompanied by Mrs. L. Schnell, will entertain. The mothers of Miss Ruth Snyder and Mrs. Scheller's rooms will conduct a candy sale.

Albert Stump will address the night meeting of the association of School 82 Wednesday at 8 p. m. on "Education and Progress." Mrs. Genevieve Smallwood, of the Irvington School of Music will sing, accompanied by Mrs. Martha Bozil. Bess Thomas will give a reading.

The association of School 46 will hold a business meeting Wednesday at 2:30. Each room will be represented on the program.

A special feature at the meeting of the association of School 83 Wednesday at 3 p. m. will be the new twenty-piece orchestra, directed by H. M. Riley, principal. W. E. Tallentire will assist.

The board of directors of the Children's Museum is entertaining the presidents and art chairmen of all the associations of the city Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the museum, 1150 N. Meridian St.

## Kids ought to



## gargle every day

Don't let your children become the victims of unnecessary colds and sore throat. After they have been playing out of doors, see that their clothing is warm and dry, and insist on them gargling with Listerine, the safe antiseptic. It has checked many and many a cold and sore throat, before they became serious—due entirely to its power to attack disease-producing bacteria.

During winter and early spring months, the sensible thing to do is to gargle with it night and morning, every day. Lambert Pharmacal Co., St. Louis, Mo., U. S. A.

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—the safe antiseptic

## Handwriting of Pupils Put to Test in School



DEPARTMENT OF HANDWRITING

This Award of Merit

is given to  
making satisfactory improvement in writing in the  
for sitting healthfully and holding the pencil correctly.

Given at Indianapolis, Indiana  
by *Frank F. Miller*, Principal  
of the Indianapolis Public Schools  
for the Department of Handwriting.

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### Improvement is Noted in Comparison With Last Semester.

Tests of the handwriting improvement of every Indianapolis grade school child were made this week by the members of the public school handwriting department.

Thousands of papers were checked by D. Clyde Beigley, director, Miss Ella L. Elleng, Miss Emma Grayce Feed, Miss Edith Robinson, and Miss Lettie Page Trefz.

Each child submitted a specimen of his writing at the beginning of the semester. The test was made again at the end of the term.

#### Diplomas Are Ready

The two were clipped together and submitted to the department, which will award diplomas to the primary, intermediate, and upper grade children who have reached the class standard of writing.

The following practice sentence was written:

"I can write the words in this sentence in two minutes with an easy and fluent movement and with the legibility and quality equal to my own grade."

Striking contrast between the two specimens were shown in most cases. Wobbly and blurred lines were rewritten with marked improvement.

#### Half Ready Standard

Each pupil's work is judged according to the perfection standard of his grade.

The second and fourth grades were tested for good writing position, speed, correct forms and habits in pen-holding. The fifth to the eighth grades were required to use the arm movement; and the primary grades to sit healthfully and hold the pencil correctly.

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### 200 M'GUFFEYITES TO ATTEND CITY MEETING

#### Old-Time Fourth Grade Reading Class to Be Held.

An old-time fourth grade reading class will be enacted by a group of McGuffeyites lead by B. M. Ralston, Indianapolis, at the McGuffey society meeting Saturday at 1:30 p. m., at the Central Library. The meeting will be in observance of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's birth.

Approximately two hundred members from all parts of the State are expected. J. Frank Mann of Muncie, president, will preside. H. M. Chadwick and Mrs. Eva Schofield will recite Longfellow poems. A. A. Brooks will give a group of vocal solos and Miss Martha Lasher, violinist, will play.

### NEGROES GET DIPLOMAS

#### 244 Pupils Are Graduated From Five Grade Schools.

Two hundred forty-four 8A pupils were graduated from five negro grade schools this week. Of this number 128 were from the Booker T. Washington School No. 17.

The class roll at school No. 26 was 67; school No. 37 promoted 18 pupils; school No. 42, 34, and the Frederick Douglass school No. 19 promoted 7.

## DIPLOMAS ARE GIVEN TO 1,546 8A GRADUATES

George W. Sloan Leads  
With 65 Pupils; Pageants  
Mark Exercises.

Approximately 1,546 children were awarded diplomas from the 8A classes of Indianapolis grade schools this week. The largest class was graduated from the George W. Sloan School No. 41 with a membership of sixty-five.

At many of the promotion exercises, the 8A class gave pageants and playlets or entertained with music or recitations.

The schools with the number of graduates and the presentation speakers are:

No. 31—Twenty: the Rev. E. S. Peeples, principal.  
No. 33—Thirty-four: Miss Anna Wyrick, principal.  
No. 34—Thirty-two: Willis Fortune, principal.  
No. 35—Thirty-three: Wood Under, civics director.

No. 36—Sixteen: the Rev. Jean S. Milner, pastor Second Presbyterian Church, principal.  
No. 37—Twenty-five: Miss Kate Mason, principal.

No. 38—Thirty-one: George Buck, Shortridge High School principal.  
No. 39—Twenty: Charles F. Miller, principal.

No. 40—Twelve: Miss Ruth Lee, principal.  
No. 41—Twelve: Dr. Frank C. Wits, principal.  
No. 42—Twenty: E. H. Kemper McComb, Manual principal.

No. 43—Fifty-eight: Prof. P. R. Hightower, with the Manual.  
No. 44—Thirty-four: Mrs. Lillian G. Sedwick.

No. 45—Twenty-four: the Rev. Robert Laycock, with the Manual.  
No. 46—Thirty-two: Ernest G. Hesser, Fairfax School—Thirty-five. F. W. Sumner, principal.

No. 47—Twenty-two: Mrs. Leonard A. Stroh, with the Manual.  
No. 48—Seventeen: Michael Foley, speaker.

No. 49—Twenty-eight: Charles F. Miller, principal.  
No. 50—Twenty: the Rev. L. H. Kendal, principal.

No. 51—Twenty-one: Dr. Walter Jarvis, principal.  
No. 52—Thirty-one: Walter G. Gingery, principal Washington High.  
No. 53—Thirty-four: Mrs. Lillian G. Sedwick.

No. 54—Twenty-four: the Rev. Robert Laycock, with the Manual.  
No. 55—Thirty-two: Ernest G. Hesser, Fairfax School—Thirty-five. F. W. Sumner, principal.

No. 56—Twenty-one: Dr. Logan Esarey, Indiana University.  
No. 57—Twenty-one: Dr. John S. Harrison, Butler University.  
No. 58—Fifty-three: the Rev. C. S. Black and Charles F. Miller.  
No. 59—Forty-one: Dr. Walter M. Pittenger.  
No. 60—Forty-one: Miss Mabel Keller, principal.

No. 61—Eighteen: Charles F. Miller.  
No. 62—Thirty-two.  
No. 63—Twenty-eight: Dr. Walter Jarvis, principal.  
No. 64—Thirty-five: Mrs. Anna Coffin, music appreciation director.

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No. 66—Forty: Mrs. Anna Coffin, music appreciation director.  
No. 67—Thirty-five: F. W. Sumner, principal.  
No. 68—Thirty-four: the Rev. William F. Rothberger.

No. 69—Twenty-seven: Murray Dalma, research director.  
No. 70—Sixty-three: Miss Ida B. Geary, principal.  
No. 71—Thirty-five: Dr. Walter Jarvis, principal.  
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## PLAN CONCERTS FOR PUPILS IN GRADE SCHOOLS

High Symphony Orchestras  
to Be Heard During  
Next Semester.

Plans for the seventh and eighth grades of the schools to hear concerts of the Indianapolis High School Symphony Orchestras next semester have been made by Ernest G. Hesser, music director.

During February, March and April each orchestra will entertain the grade school pupils. Dates and places are not arranged. The Technical group of about seventy members will be directed by V. E. Dillard. Approximately forty students are in the Manual Training orchestra under direction of Harold Winslow. Shortridge has about sixty players with Will F. Wise as director.

The concerts are planned to arouse the interest of grade pupils in the use of orchestral instruments and to familiarize them with symphony music.

"It will give the children about to enter high school a chance to see the opportunities for them in high school music and to make them eager to learn some instrument and later play in the school orchestra," Hesser said. "Also, it is partly a vocational development plan. Early aroused interest may later lead to professional work."

"The symphony orchestras are better this year than ever before in balance, instrumentation and quality of work," he said. "It will be valuable as well as entertaining to the children to hear them."

The Technical group holds the present title of the best State high school orchestra. Shortridge was awarded the prize and title two years ago.

### CHILDREN VISIT COURTS

Judge Collins Tells of Juvenile Work  
Inception Here.

Forty pupils from School 76, grade 8B, visited courts and offices in the courthouse Thursday.

Judge James A. Collins, from the bench of Criminal Court, explained functions of the various courts and outlined how Juvenile Court was born in 1902. Collins was prosecutor at the time.

Success of the Juvenile Court movement paved the way for first Juvenile Court legislation in 1903, he said.

## Tech English Teacher 'Grew Up' at Arsenal

Miss Shover Interested in  
School for Many Years;  
Accomplished Much.

As a little girl, Miss Esther Fay Shover, now of the English department of the Arsenal Technical High School, frequently visited the grounds of the old Indianapolis Arsenal, and experienced many childish thrills in slipping past the many guards.

Every corner of the ground, now the site of the city's largest high and vocational school, was familiar to her. When the Government relinquished the arsenal in 1902, Winona Technical Institute, a privately endowed vocational school, was established. Miss Shover's connection with the Arsenal grounds began 1910 when she became an assistant bookkeeper at the school.

Joned Tech in 1912

Miss Shover later taught at the Kirkland High School, East Chicago, Ind.; the Indianapolis departmental grades, was a substitute at Shortridge High School, and taught at Manual Training High School.

In September, 1912, the technical schools opened and she became one of the first seven faculty members.

She is credited with recovering the military records of the Arsenal which had been removed by the Government to the Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia.

Miss Shover was the first senior class sponsor of Technical and directed the first two school plays.

She supervised writing the history of its first year's existence in the paper, "Hear Ye," and wrote the first school song.

**Originated Teaching Plan**

She is also the author of three school pageants presented at the dedication of the flag pole, the In-

## FIND PUPILS TO BE TRUTHFUL IN KEEPING MARKS

Children Grade Selves for  
Records in Citizenship  
at School 70.

Children of school No. 70 have proved this semester to their principal, Miss Mabel Keller, that they are trustworthy in giving their "personal word" for their citizenship standing.

The system allows the pupils to keep their own records on obedience, industry, and respect for property. Each week they fill out blanks answering such questions as the following: "Have I obeyed the traffic laws of my school and city?" "Have I been helpful to my school community?" "Have I attended school regularly and promptly?" "Have I been truthful?" "Have I shown respect for property of others?" "Have I played fair?"

The personal accounts of their conduct are later checked by daily conduct slips of the teacher. Stars are given them each third week that they make forty or more citizenship points. Each pupil must win a gold star after his name on the good citizenship roll before he is placed on the scholarship roll.