

SCHOOL QUESTION HELD ATTENTION OF LEGISLATURE

As Starter, a House Committee, Including Ratliff, Made Inspection of the School for Girls.

APPORTIONMENT BILL WAS THEN INTRODUCED

Petition From Old Soldiers and Widows Asks Increased Pensions, Stating Lincoln Promised This Relief.

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The schools of the state came in for a large share of the attention of the legislature yesterday. In the first place a house committee consisting of Representatives Wickey, Ratliff, Gardner, Behymer, Hill, Galbraith and Merriman paid a visit to the Girls School, west of this city, yesterday noon, at the invitations of the superintendent. The legislative party ate dinner at the institution and there was a little talk about what the school will need this year in the way of appropriations.

Then Representative Babcock of LaGrange and Steuben counties introduced in the house bill which he believes will make the apportionment of school funds among the counties on a more equitable basis and at the same time save money for the state. The bill proposes to dispense with the taking of school enumerations as it is now done and to have the records showing the average actual daily attendance made the basis for apportioning the funds. This, he argues, would be the proper method for making the distribution.

It Encourages Attendance.

In stating his reasons for the change Babcock says:

"It places a premium on and encourages attendance at school.

"It will save the state from \$75,000 to \$100,000 annually, that is now paid for taking the school enumerations.

"The present system of taking the enumeration is wholly unreliable."

Two bills, each designed to change the school text book system, were introduced in the senate. One by Senator Cox is to authorize any school corporation to select its own text books. The Kane bill empowers high schools to select their own text books.

Provides Uniform System.

By the terms of the Cox bill the law which provides that a uniform system of text books shall be used for a period of ten years would be repealed. The books selected by the schools themselves would be for a period of not to exceed six years. The bills went to the committee on education. It is expected that they will stir up a great fight, as there is a widespread sentiment in the state in favor of uniform text books.

Senator Crumpacker, of LaPorte and St. Joseph counties, introduced a bill at the request of the real fishermen of the state, yesterday. It is to prohibit the use of the trot line in any of the lakes of the state. He says fishermen told him that it is nothing unusual to find a man working both a gill net and a trot line in the water at the same time. He hopes to stop the practice.

A Humorous Incident.

One of the humorous incidents of the session was the receipt yesterday by Senator Bowser of a petition signed by 125 veterans and widows of veterans in Porter county. It asked that the general assembly pass a law which would grant additional pensions to the signers inasmuch as Abraham Lincoln had promised that veterans and widows of veterans would always be taken care of. It was stated also that the prices of food stuffs are advancing. Senator Bowser introduced the odd petition by request and it was referred to the committee on military affairs.

Bowser also introduced a petition from Porter county farmers in the agricultural school at Purdue university and asking for laws to regulate the tuberculosis test to cattle.

Speaker Honan served notice on the members of the house before adjournment yesterday that they will be expected to "play ball" from now on. When the time came to adjourn a motion was made to adjourn until Monday afternoon. Some member objected, saying that he thought the members ought to stay right on the job. He wanted to meet again today.

Honor Wedges Action.

"There is more to this session than the mere introduction of bills," said Speaker Honan. "The main work is done in committees and I hope that between now and Monday committees will get busy so they can report on their bills. This is more important than the introduction of new bills."

Honan says he is going to try to prevent a flood of bills in the house, and that his effort will be to kill off the unimportant frivolous measures to save time for something more important.

The senate killed a bill by Senator Kling, which sought to make binding all verbal contracts for the sale of real estate. It was meant to give real

estate agents the right to sue for their commission when the agreement for the sale was not in writing, but several senators said they could see in it great danger of fraud. They said a dozen real estate agents might sue for a commission on the sale of the same piece of property. Senator Orndorf, of Whitley and Huntington counties, told of several specific instances where he had known this to be done.

Up to this time 172 bills have been introduced in the house and 172 in the senate. The house has passed three bills and the senate two.

LOCAL OPENING MONDAY EVENING

RICHMOND TEAM OF INDIANA POLO LEAGUE WILL MEET NEW CASTLE.

ALSO CITY LEAGUE GAME

QUAKERS HAVE FAST SEMI-PROFESSIONAL BUNCH OF PLAYERS AND GOOD SPORT ASSURED —ANDERSON IN A WIN.

LEAGUE STANDING.
Won. Lost. Pct.
New Castle 3 1 .750
Richmond 2 2 .500
Marion 2 2 .500
Anderson 2 3 .400
Elwood 1 2 .333

The local opening of the Indiana Polo league will be Monday evening at the coliseum when the newly organized Richmond team will clash with the league leaders, New Castle. Every one in the league has played three or more games except the Quakers. This is because Richmond was not admitted to the league until after the opening of the season. However the league managers have credited Richmond with winning two games and losing two, so the locals will have a fair start in their scramble for the pennant.

As a curtain raiser to the league contest a city league game between the Grays and the Smiths, will be pulled off.

The following is the lineups of the Richmond and New Castle teams:

New Castle Richmond

Sampsell Buila

First Rush

Nolan Marine

Second Rush

Fetzer Center

Kenworthy Oesting

Half Back

May Lancaster

Goal

DISCUSSION OF JAPAN WAR BOOGY STIRS UP HOUSE

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ed, occurred whenever the naval bill was up for consideration.

"One time," he said, "it is Japan, and the next some other nation, and they will pass away like phantoms of the air."

That which the present congress should do, he contended, was to provide for the rational needs of the people, "and not to guard against groundless fears or phantoms of the imagination."

POLO GAME MONDAY, JAN. 25.

RESERVED SEATS NOW ON SALE AT WESTCOTT PHARMACY. PRICE 25¢

NEW CASTLE VS. RICHMOND.

(23-31)

EARLHAM THE WINNER

QUAKER BASKETBALL TEAM TOOK WILMINGTON TEAM LAST NIGHT WITH EASE.

HOTCHKISS WAS THE STAR

Wilmington, O., Jan. 23.—Last night in the Wilmington college gymnasium of this city, the Earlham college basketball team from Richmond, defeated the local college five by a score of 26 to 16. The game was one of the best of the season and was hard fought throughout, however the Earlham men had it on the local team almost every department and gradually pulled away, making a fast finish.

Capt. Hotchkiss of the Quakers put up an exceptionally clever game at forward. The Earlham team lined up as follows: Hotchkiss, forward; Conrad, forward; Rees, forward; Lindley, center; Tebbits, guard; Hancock, guard; Cornell, guard.

The State Superintendent of Instruction in Wisconsin says the college girls eat too much candy. The Daily Cardinal of the University of Wisconsin, after investigating, has decided this is true. The girls deny it.

Only One "BROMO QUININE" that is Laxative Bromo Quinine

Can be had in One Day, Cured in 2 Days.

6 Thalman on every box. 25¢

WORK SOLICITING STOCK PROGRESSES

OVER \$2,000 HAS BEEN SUBSCRIBED TO RICHMOND DRIVING ASSOCIATION.

EXPECT HELP OF Y. M. B. C.

IT IS PROBABLE THAT THE NEW COMPANY WILL HAVE AT LEAST THREE HUNDRED HONORARY MEMBERS.

Those interested in the organization of the Richmond Driving club had another very successful day in soliciting subscriptions and \$2,000 has been pledged. The subscribers will hold a meeting next Thursday night, in all probability, to form a permanent organization and elect officers and directors. Several sites for locating a track are under consideration. An outright purchase will be made.

The promoters are finding much interest favoring the organization of a driving club. The amounts so far contributed have varied from \$50 up to \$250. After the organization meeting next week, the promoters will make a bid for membership and it is expected that at least three hundred members will be secured.

To Solicit D. G. Reid.

It is understood that D. G. Reid will be asked to contribute to the success of the affair although as yet the committee has not made the request.

Now that the citizens are encouraging the formation of a driving club, it is probable that the Young Men's Business club will be asked to take the matter in its charge. Many liberal citizens who are interested in the success of the affair are contributing because of this supposition. It is confidently believed that with an organization which has shown itself to be so trustworthy as the Y. M. B. C. there is no possibility of scandals like which were associated with former organizations of a similar character.

THE THEATER

THEATRICAL CALENDAR.

GENNETT.
All Week—Aubrey Stock Co.

NEW PHILLIPS.

All Week—High Class Vaudeville.

Aubrey Stock Co.

The Aubrey Stock company continues to pack the Gennett both afternoon and night and its with regret that we can't have the pleasure of having this company with us all next week. Tonight they close their engagement by presenting a western military bill "At the Risk of His Life" and some one attending this performance will be made happy. See Jenkins window display.

Otis Skinner.

Otis Skinner's pronounced success in New York last year, at the Hudson theater, in "The Honor of the Family" will go down to stage history as the first success achieved behind the footlights of a dramatization of a Balzac novel. Although the play differs widely from the Balzac novel "Menage a la Balzac," upon which it is founded, the characterizations are all typical of the author of the "Comedia Humana." The part of Col. Philippe Bridau enables Otis Skinner to shine in a picturesque and masterful way as none of his previous stage creations have permitted him to do. Of his supporting company, Messrs. Andrews, Carlyle, Hudson, Wheelock, Scott and Miss Percy Haswell are worthy of highest praise for their admirable impersonations. "The Honor of the Family" was one of the genuine popular successes of the past season in New York where it ran for four months. Will be seen at the Gennett theater Jan. 25.

"Too Many Wives."

A new breezy musical farce entitled "Too Many Wives" is the announced attraction at the Gennett theater. This class of entertainment is extremely popular with the patrons of this playhouse. No wonder. The plots are elastic, and admit of the introduction of clever specialties, numerous catchy songs, pretty girls in spirited dances and kaleidoscopic stage pictures, all contributing to an ever-changing entertainment that amuses but never tires. Joe Morris is the star of this particular play and his clever work in "Lovers and Lunatics" made many friends in this city. His new role of "Isidore Meyer" gives him greater opportunities and is one of his best pieces of character work. The supporting company is an excellent one and includes a large number of pretty chorus girls and show girls.

The New Phillips.

The Three Pattons will be the featured act at the New Phillips next week for the first three days. A change from the usual ordinary comedy acts that have been scheduled at the playhouse is made in the outset by this trio. Irish settings, Irish brogue, and Irish wit and humor are crowded into twenty minutes with laugh increasing impetus. The little comedy act bill is called "Jerry from Kerry."

Something that hasn't been seen at the theatre for an age will be the attraction coming second on the bill. Tulsa, the girl with the big black eyes has a stunt that is something new.

Another good act of the seven which have been booked, is that called "The President of the 13 Club." This is a novelty comedy act that takes in a wide scope of entertainment.

FOULKE TO SPEAK AT CENTENARY OF LINCOLN IN CITY

NOTED LOCAL ORATOR HAS CONSENTED TO GIVE ADDRESS, WHICH HE GIVES ON FOLLOWING DAY AT UNIVERSITY.

PUBLIC EXERCISES AT COLISEUM IN EVENING

Thursday, Feb. 11th, Date Chosen to Meet Convenience of Speaker—Tablet Dedicated Next Day.

William Dudley Foulke will deliver the Lincoln centenary address at the Coliseum the evening of February 11, according to an announcement made this morning by the Young Men's Business club committee in charge of the preparation for the event. Mr. Foulke was the choice of the committee all the time but as he could not deliver the address on February 12 the anniversary date, having an engagement at Indiana university, the committee made a change in the date of holding the local celebration. It first acted on Mr. Foulke's suggestion and tried to secure Attorney General Charles J. Bonaparte, but he was unable to be here.

It has not been determined to render the remainder of the centennial program on February 11 or the following day. A committee of the club meets this afternoon at 5 o'clock to further arrangements. As the schools of the county and the city are going to observe the centennial on February 12 it is probable that other features of the program will be held on this day. The bronze tablet on the large boulder in the rear of Glen Miller park probably will be dedicated then.

Mr. Foulke is now working very hard on his address. Those who are acquainted with it say it will be Mr. Foulke's chief gift to literature and his crowning effort. The city will be decorated with Lincoln pictures as yesterday afternoon Secretary E. H. Harris of the club visited Cincinnati and gave a large order. Lincoln postals and cards and other such material will be placed in common use.

Superintendent T. A. Mott of the public schools announced this morning that the principals of each building had promised him that there will be Lincoln exercises observed. In some of the schools all the pupils will take part, but in others the celebration will be left entirely to each room.

NO VERDICT YET REACHED IN THE DR. JONES CASE

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whisky in it. He says that is what he thought was in it, but now we show what actually is in it and it's grape wine."

WITNESSES ARE RAKED.

Mr. Riddell raked the state's witnesses over the coals and when they were done to a nice brown, pitched them onto the jury's plates quite the worse for their scorching.

The instructions of the court to the jury covered ten typewritten pages. To a certain extent they were identical with those used in the former trial. The court said in his instructions:

"In order to convict the defendant under the first count it is incumbent on the state to prove beyond a reasonable doubt that intoxicating liquors were unlawfully sold, bartered or given away in the place described in the indictment on or about the time mentioned in the indictment. Under the second count in the indictment, it is not necessary for the prosecution to prove that intoxicating liquors were actually sold, bartered or given away in the place described in the indictment, but it will be sufficient if it is proved beyond a reasonable doubt that the defendant had had intoxicating liquors in his possession in such place for that purpose. It is within the right of a physician to keep intoxicating liquors for compounding medicines but he has no right to keep it in his possession for the purpose of selling and disposing of it as a beverage."

The Michiganian, the college annual of the University of Michigan, has asked students with cameras to chase up the members of the senior classes to get photographs of the 1909 folks without their knowing they are being taken. To avoid being caught in ridiculous poses into which they may fall by chance the Michigan seniors are kept busy dodging folks who carry black boxes.

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