

TEACHING OF SEX HYGIENE FAVORED

Dr. Johnston, President of School Board, Says There Is Need Here

"I am in favor of teaching sex hygiene in the schools of Richmond," said Dr. M. F. Johnston, president of the city board of education, today, speaking of the movement that is sweeping the country, and of the Chicago board of education's action when it voted yesterday afternoon to make sex hygiene a regular course in the high school of that city.

"I believe that there is need for such instruction here in Richmond. Very few people realize this as do the physicians, to whose attention such matters are brought most forcibly.

"I see no reason for such unwillingness and modesty in the discussion of these matters, and I am sure that more knowledge of sex hygiene on the part of the young people will greatly lessen social diseases."

Dr. Johnston thought that the proper time for instruction of this kind was not in the grades among smaller children, but during the period of adolescence, and in the high schools.

Inspectors May Instruct.

While it is not probable that courses in sex hygiene would be made a part of the curriculum in the city schools, this year, he said, that it might well be done by the school inspectors.

These inspectors make regular visits to the different schools, examining children to guard against epidemics. It would be possible for them either to give lectures at the time of their regular visits or give a special course at each school.

Chicago Takes Lead.

It was only after a long and bitter fight that the Chicago board of education decided to lead other municipalities of the country in making sex hygiene a regular course in the high school curriculum. The resolution finally adopted, after three weeks of discussion, provides for a sex hygiene course in the high schools and lectures in the elementary schools.

Course is Required.

Attendance at a course of lectures dealing with this problem has for several years been one of the requirements for graduation in the State university of Indiana and other of the state's schools of higher learning. These courses run throughout the year, being held once each week. The instruction deals with the general care of the body to keep it healthy. In addition a series of special lectures for men and women are given by sex hygiene experts. A number of women physicians from the larger cities spend considerable time each spring traveling to different universities and colleges giving these lectures to the young women.

BRILLIANT FUTURE FOR PLAYER PIANO

The brilliant future of the player piano is predicted by Henry Gennett, president of the Starr Piano company. Mr. Gennett estimates that this form of piano will make heavy inroads upon the piano trade, probably to the extent of one-third or one-half. A remarkable increase is predicted for this popular musical instrument. Pianos will be smaller in the future, Mr. Gennett believes.

The July "Piano Trade" contains an article on the Richmond piano factory. Among some of the interesting facts concerning the Starr factory given in the publication are: Number of acres covered by the plant, 36; area of factory in square feet, 315,738; combined capacity of dry kilns, 1,722,950; number of distributing warehouses, 27; number of workmen in factory, 750; number of men in sales organization, 400; number of styles manufactured, 52; yearly capacity of factory, 15,000; average daily shipment, 50; date of founding, 1872.

In speaking of Henry Gennett the piano magazine says: "He is also engaged in every good work in his town and what he has done for the betterment of life in Richmond in the application of life's ideals would take a larger article than this to outline. If there is any movement in the town that will minister to the good, the comfort or to the pleasure of the people, Henry Gennett is in it up to his neck and ears. That is why he is held in such universal esteem in his home community. The people swear by Henry Gennett, and look with pride upon the Starr Piano factory as the great vital feature of this pretty town—and assuredly it is."

A PLEA OF GUILTY

(Palladium Special)
EATON, O., July 10.—E. C. Earle, indicted for forgery, entered a plea of guilty in court this morning, and will receive a sentence next Monday morning.

Earle, who is a well educated man, claims to be a graduate of Columbia university, and says that Earle is only an assumed name.

He stated this morning that he has many wealthy relatives in the East, who would be greatly humiliated should they learn that he had been arrested for passing bad checks. By going under an assumed name he hopes to keep them ignorant of his troubles, at least for some time, since he has not been in close touch for a few years.

Since his arrest he has been spending the time in jail reading. He reads the Literary Digest and the works of classical authors in preference to the popular fiction.

Palladium Want Ads Pay.

Railroad News

METHODS TO CHECK TICKET "SCALPERS"

Question to Be Discussed By Central Passenger Association.

The question of formulating methods to check fraudulent schemes used by railroad ticket "scalpers" is one of the principal topics to be considered before the close of the monthly meeting of the Central Passenger Association, which convened in Chicago yesterday.

It is charged that acids are used to remove names from tickets and that forgeries are frequently committed.

The rail lines have maintained an anti-scalping bureau for several years and through its efforts a number of persons have been prosecuted. Recently, it is said, numerous complaints have been made concerning the manipulation by scalpers of tickets from New York to St. Louis, containing stop-over privileges in Chicago. A special effort will be made to eradicate this evil.

RAILROADS TO POST BILLS ON POSITION

Many notices published by the railroad companies involved in the probable coming strike will be posted in Richmond soon. The notices give the public the position maintained by the railroads in the controversy.

They are in bulletin form and are printed in red and black ink on pieces of cardboard two feet long.

The statement is headed "An Authorized Statement to the Public," and is signed by Elisha Lee, chairman of the conference board representing the fifty railroads involved, as follows:

The bulletin is as follows: "The conductors and trainmen have asked for increases in pay of \$17,000,000, or 20 per cent per annum, and the railroads have refused to grant any increases for the reason that the wages now paid these employees are liberal—in many cases they are excessive."

The conductors and trainmen of the eastern railroads received increases of \$30,000,000 per annum in 1910, according to President Lee, of the trainmen's brotherhood. As the wages of these employees now approximate some \$85,000,000 in a year, their total wages prior to the 1910 increase must have been \$55,000,000 or \$60,000,000.

"It appears, therefore, from President Lee's own estimate, that the trainmen and conductors in 1910 received an annual increase in wages of 50 per cent.

"Yet in spite of this, they are now asking for \$17,000,000 or 20 per cent per annum additional.

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"If the roads granted the increase now asked by the trainmen and conductors, it would mean that in three years increases in pay to employees in train service would amount to \$25,000,000 per annum, which is equivalent to placing on these properties a lien of \$140,000,000 of 5 per cent securities, having preference over first mortgage bonds.

"Wages of railroad labor can only be paid out of the funds received by the railroads for services performed. If these wages absorb a constantly increasing proportion of the receipts from this sole source of revenue, it is obvious that the public must pay the bill in the end.

"The question the public has to answer is:

"How long shall this process of increases be allowed to continue unchecked?"

"DARN" NOT PROFANE RULES JUDGE ABBOTT

The slang word, "darn," is not profanity, according to the decision made by Special Judge Abbott this morning in the case of Alfred Brooks, charged with profanity by Mary Rittenhouse, owner of the ground and buildings in which the Nixon paper mill was formerly located. Brooks was found not guilty of the charge.

"Although I never studied for the ministry," said Brooks this morning, "I have always been careful never to swear or allow profanity among my workmen. I said 'darn' several times in my conversation with Mrs. Rittenhouse."

An argument was started between the two several days ago about dirt which Brooks hauled to the paper mill property from a cellar at North Sixth and D streets. Brooks removed the dirt after Mrs. Rittenhouse filed affidavits against him for profanity and malicious trespass.

Judge Abbott ruled that the word "darn" is not profane and may be used in an argument with a woman without fear of any action on the part of the law.

JACK JOHNSON TO RESIDE IN FRANCE

HAVRE, France, July 10.—"I have determined never to return to the United States. 'My future home will be in Paris.' This statement was made by Jack Johnson, negro pugilist, under sentence for trafficking white women, who eluded the United States authorities and who arrived here today on the steamship Corinthia.

These Youngsters Benefited by Free Ice Fund



The above children are those of Mrs. White, 315½ North A street, who have been beneficiaries of the Palladium's free ice fund. The baby was quite ill but now the little chap gets cool milk he is improving rapidly. This family is only one of many who are being helped by the free ice furnished by the Palladium through the generosity of its readers. Won't you help the good work along with a little contribution. Mrs. White is a hard working and deserving woman, whose husband deserted her eight months ago.

BALKAN WAR CLOSE IS NOW EXPECTED

Russia and France to Lend a Hand in Bringing a New Peace.

(National News Association)

ST. PETERSBURG, July 10.—Foreign Minister Savanosa announced today that Bulgaria, in order to prevent further bloodshed in the Balkans, had placed herself unreservedly in the hands of Russia. It is believed the war will be speedily brought to a close.

FRANCE LENDS A HAND.

VIENNA, July 10.—France today agreed to carry on negotiations on behalf of Bulgaria with Servia, Greece and Montenegro in favor of peace. A telegram from Sofia stated that the Bulgarian government is anxious to conclude peace immediately.

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INFANT IS CAUSING TROUBLE IN COURT

Leroy Morrow Peek, 11 months old, is causing considerable trouble in the Wayne circuit court. The child was adopted October 8, 1912, by Hazel and Roy Peek, after it had been purported to the court that the adoption was with its mother's consent. A few weeks ago Hazel Hawekotte, mother of the child, requested the court to grant her permission to take the child to its original home for a visit. Judge Fox did so and the child stayed with his mother for more than two weeks.

Yesterday Mr. and Mrs. Peek, the child's adopted parents, appeared in court and asked for the child. The court ordered the child then returned to them. This was done and Mrs. Peek obtained the child and left for Orleans, Ind., yesterday noon. A habeas corpus suit was filed by the mother of the child alleging that the adoption proceedings were not legitimate as the child had been represented to be a dependent and neglected one which is false, according to the mother. Mrs. Hawekotte alleges that the adopted parents are not fit guardians to have her child's custody. Before the habeas corpus papers could be served on Mrs. Peek she had left Richmond with the child. The case will be contested. Another suit was filed to have the adoption order of the court set aside on the grounds that the action was improper because of the manner in which the facts were presented to the court.

Ant Tunnels.

South American ants have been known to construct a tunnel fully three miles in length.

TO HEAR MOTION TO QUASH INDICTMENTS ASKS RICHMOND MEN TO ATTEND SESSION

Michael Confers With Ministers About Missionary Movement.

Mr. Michael, of Chicago, representing the Laymen's Missionary Movement, conferred with about twenty ministers and laymen at the Y. M. C. A. last night regarding a missionary conference.

The Laymen's Missionary Movement of this country is planning a conference at Lake Geneva at which more than 700 delegates from churches of all creeds are expected. This city being one of the leaders, and having had the district conference here last fall, Mr. Michael is trying to get a number of delegates from the local churches.

It is probable that at least twelve will attend the conference.

It was decided to ask Newcastle to entertain the next District meeting some time during the winter.

FINED FOR SELLING SPOILED SAUSAGES

Jasper Roberts, a clerk at the grocery store of Allen Coggeshall, 412 North West Third street, was fined \$10 and costs in police court this morning for selling spoiled sausages to Roy Stafford, son of Frank Stafford, an insurance agent residing at 421 Pearl street.

Roberts pleaded not guilty to the charge of selling unwholesome foods last Tuesday in police court, and was found guilty by Judge Abbott, who assessed him the minimum fine. The sausage was sold to young Stafford last week.

Roberts claims that the supply of "weiner wursts" had arrived just a short time before Stafford came in. As he was very busy, Roberts claims he placed the sausages in a refrigerator without examining them.

The affidavit against Roberts was filed by Charles Flock, dairy and pure food inspectors. Flock state that he will watch this condition and prosecute whenever circumstances justify.

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