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### Teacher Shortage A National Problem

While Indiana is educating its people to the menace of poor schools, imminent because of a shortage of teachers, other states in the Union are face to face with a real crisis.

Reports received by the bureau of education prove that the shortage is still a grave one. On the basis of returns from state school officers, the commissioner of education found that 18,279 schools were closed because of lack of teachers and that 41,900 schools were being taught by teachers rated below standard but accepted to meet the emergency.

Replies to his office showed that in 18 states pupils were transferred from closed schools to others, in three states no provisions were made for their schooling, and two states reported that the children would lose the grade.

A revival of interest by taxpayers in obtaining better pay for teachers is noted in 14 states and a number of commonwealths believe that public opinion has been thoroughly aroused on this topic.

A marked decrease in the number of young men and women preparing to enter the teaching profession is reported from 190 state, county, city and private normal schools. More than 11,000 fewer students were enrolled in these courses last November than in previous years.

### Today's Talk

By George Matthew Adams

Several years ago a young fellow by the name of George J. Whelan stood on the corner of Broadway and Seventeenth street, New York, and decided he wanted a smoke.

He looked around for a cigar store, but found none. He walked four blocks before he got what he wanted. Then he stood outside and thought.

That district at that time was one of the poorest in New York. A man had to walk four blocks to get a cigar. "There ought to be a cigar store on every busy corner in this city," said Whelan to himself.

And today there is And Whelan, as the head of brains back of the United Cigar Stores, is the greatest cigar man in the world.

When a brain and an idea get to bumping together—watch out! Things happen.

Long ago, Wendell Phillips said that "the biggest brains don't go to congress." And it holds true in every walk of life, that ideas and a lot of faith are what makes the world keep growing.

The other day I talked to a quiet, modest man in a little real estate office at Miami, Florida. I marveled at the great growth of a city that is so little known to the millions of America. They tell "climate" down there. And the man whom I talked to owns one of the largest stretches of that "climate." And though he is still but middle-aged, he told me that when he went there to live, it was only two houses! But he saw a city. And now he owns a large part of it.

Here are the names of a few other beginners whose achievements have become immortal: Columbus, Edison, Morse, Bell, Westinghouse, Fulton, Marconi, Ford, Schwab—each starting with an idea, and unkillable faith in himself!

### Dinner Stories

Lectured for 14 years, the farmer's boy promised that in the future he would be "up with the lark." The next morning the old farmer came in from his milking and found his son sitting on the stile and singing as blithely as though there was no such a thing as work.

"Why, you young rascal," said his exasperated sire, "this is worse than sleeping. What do you mean by loafing on that stile and singing at the top of your voice?"

The lad grinned. "Why, dad, you told me to be like the lark, and that's all he does when he gets up early."

In an infant school the teacher chose the miracle of the water being turned into wine as the subject of the usual Bible lesson.

In telling the story, she occasionally asked a few questions. One of them was:

"When the new wine was brought to the governor of the feast, what did he say?"

A little girl, remembering what she had heard, probably on some festive occasion, called out:

"Here's luck!"

"Perhaps I ought to tell you," said the applicant for a position, "that I have just finished serving a prison sentence."

"Oh, that's all right," said the em-

As these schools represent 60 per cent of the normal schools of the United States, the commissioner of education believes that there will be 7,000 fewer graduates in 1920 than in previous years. Teacher-training departments in colleges show approximately the same falling off, his report says.

"Another significant fact is revealed," says A. O. Neal, of the bureau's division of rural education, in commenting upon the situation. Since 1890 there has been a continuous and increasing withdrawal of men teachers from the profession. The percentage of men teachers in 1890 was 37 per cent. In 1910 it had fallen to 22 per cent, and in 1918 to 17 per cent. In other words, in 1890 one teacher in three was a man; in 1910 one teacher in five; and in 1918 one teacher in six was a man.

"The question of teachers' salaries is vital in this discussion, and a comparison of teachers' salaries from 1916 to 1918, the latest complete statistics available, shows that in the two years, from 1916 to 1918, the average teacher's salary advanced from \$563 per year to \$635 per year, an increase of \$72, or 13 per cent in the two years. The total figures for 1918 show that the average salary for elementary teachers in the United States was \$606, and the average salary for high school teachers, \$1,031. The bureau is now collecting salary schedules from various states, giving the actual salaries received by individual teachers in three counties in each state. These show that the salaries of rural teachers are far below this average in many states, and that salaries as low as \$150 to \$200 per annum are found in many localities.

"Another cause of teachers withdrawing from the profession is found in the lack of provision made for suitable homes in the community, where the teachers may become a part of the social organization. This is particularly true in rural districts, where in many communities they are providing teachers' homes in connection with the schools."

ployer. I won't hold that against you. But, wait a minute. What kind of a prison was it?"

"A model institution, sir. The warden, God bless you, was a father to me."

"Ah, in that case, I'm afraid you won't do. This job is not suited to a 'household plant.' What I want is a man with calloused hands, and a corned-beef-and-cabbage appetite."

### Good Evening

By Roy K. Moulton

A western man has been missing from his home for eight years and nobody knows where he is. Maybe he is in congress.

To market, to market,  
To buy a fat pig.  
Home again, home again,  
With a half-pound of codfish.

Want ad. in New York paper:  
"Lost—Valuable walking stick by a gentleman with polished ivory head."

OUR OWN LITTLE SCHOOLHOUSE.  
Q.—When the political orators get up to speak, what will they talk about?

A.—About two hours.  
Q.—When you go into a swell restaurant with \$5 to buy a meal, what do you get?

A.—You get thrown out.

Now a genius has invented a way to make doughnuts by machinery. We can only hope that the manufacturers of digestion tablets are prepared to meet this crisis for us.

The history of the doughnut has never been written. A record of its exploits in proving the persistency of human life has never been set down. What great painter, what great engineer, what great architect did not live for years on this confection—and in spite of it?

The doughnut has left an imprint upon the public endeavor of this era which stands unchallenged in the annals of spectacular achievement, in the face of acute indigestion.

An apartment house landlord says he doesn't want to go to heaven, because he doesn't want to meet any of his tenants there.

Well, he can go to the other place. He won't meet any there."

We don't know who will have the best show next November, but we believe Ringling Bros. will.

Why should the allies demand a trial of the kaiser?  
The Germans tried him, and he wasn't any good.

### Labor Calendar

Meetings of local labor unions scheduled for Sunday follow: Glen Miller Carmen, 671; president, John Ryse; secretary, C. W. Genn. Time, 2:30 p. m.; place, I. O. O. F. hall.

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### Answers to Questions

Telephone—How do you spell anesthetic?—Anesthetic is preferable but anaesthetic is permissible.

C. M.—Who wrote "Fickle Fortune, or How Gladys Husted"?—O. Henry. Voter—How many delegates will Wayne county have in the Republican state convention?—Twenty-five. How many will the district have?—One hundred and five.

Service Man—Where may one obtain information regarding the vocational retraining of disabled soldiers?—The Red Cross office in the Court House, or the Elks club, where a committee has been appointed to assist disabled men to obtain vocational retraining.

Eighth Grade Pupil—Who were the "White Caps"?—Lawless bands in southern Indiana, who, from 1880, undertook the regulation of the morals of that section. They met in secret places, wore regalia, which they donned in the woods, rode by night, attempted to regulate the people with whom they lived, and held their hands against society and law. They did the most mischief around English and Marengo. They wore white paper footsacks, white paper masks, and coats of coffee sacking. The whole White Cap movement was borrowed from English outlaws.

Gardner—Of what country is the tomato a native?—Of South America. Soldier—How many feet in a kilometer?—3280 ft. and 10 in.

### What's in a Name

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#### NATALIE

Natalie is another holy name, coming from the Latin title of "Dies Natalis", the birthday of our Lord. The word Natalie has furnished the title of the feast to all the Romance portion of Europe.

France made the word Noel from it, meaning Christmas, and soon Noel became a Christian name there. In Italy it appeared as Natale. Spain and Portugal used the name Natal.

There is a feast celebrated on the 8th of September by the Greek church as the festival of St. Natalia, the devoted wife who attended her husband, St. Adrian, in his martyrdom. He is the same Adrian whose relics filled the Netherlands and whose name became celebrated in the west where his wife, Natalia, was long neglected. The east, however, reversed the arrangement and Natalia is popular there, while her husband is forgotten.

Natalia was one of the favored Greek Christian names. Russia adopted her and, adding the usual consonants of its language, calls her Nataliya, Nataschenka, and Natascha. The first of the tree names is extremely popular there today, or was until the Bolsheviks came into power and withdrew the attention of etymologists from the study of feminine names.

France is said to have secured Natalie from Russia, though there is record of a Natalie at Cambrai in 1212. England preferred Natalie to any of the other forms, rejecting Natalia as too Latin in its influence. Whether American Natalies are representative of the English, or taken direct from France is a matter of personal preference.

The pearl of purity is Natalie's talismanic gem. It promises good fortune for its wearer and makes her gentle, kind, and lovable. Thursday is her lucky day and 4 her lucky number.

Women who used to wear their hearts on their sleeves have to wear them some other place nowadays if they wear them at all.

### AERIAL POLICE FORCE OF GERMANY STOPS AIR SMUGGLERS AT FRONTIER



German aerial police inspecting papers of aviator wishing to cross frontier.

The newly-organized aerial police force of the German republic has, as one of its duties, the interception of air smugglers. All planes flying over the border are stopped and their contents examined by members of the force.

### Ohio News Flashes

TIFFIN—The city council has reduced the police department 12 to 9 and increased the salaries of all members of both fire and police departments \$25 a month. It has also passed an ordinance setting the clocks ahead 1 hour for a period of 6 months beginning Easter Sunday.

COLUMBUS—William G. Brown has filed request for a review of the decision of the Hamilton County Court of Appeals in favor of the Commonwealth Shoe and Leather Company which recently forfeited his lease on a room he had used as a saloon when he turned it into a soft drink establishment, and ousted him. He claims the same rights as he would have enjoyed had the old order continued.

MARYSVILLE—One hundred head of fine sheep, grain and farm implements were lost when a barn on the farm of Alexander Mitchell in Jerome township suffered several thousand dollar loss by fire.

COLUMBUS—Master plumbers of Columbus have refused to grant the demand of plumbers for a wage scale of \$1.25 a hour. Strike will not result, it is thought, because shut-down of material supply sources is making work scarce and throwing workers out of employment.

LIMA—Investigation of the action of Service Director McCain in suspending Charles Evans as water works superintendent after he had been reinstated by the board, was resumed

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### Teacher Squad Prepare Alibis; Forgets to Order Song of Victory Jubilation

Medicine, alibis and dope are being prepared by the teacher basketball squad in preparation for the bloody scrap with the high seconds in the Coliseum Monday night.

Both Kids and Teachers are primed for the fray. Echols, Clevenger and Vernon were basketball players of repute during their college days and this ability has not entirely deserted them. The one great handicap will be the superior "wind" of the Kids. Shannon Neff was elected manager of the Teacher squad and will also act as doctor.

WANTED: CHIEF OF POLICE  
WABASH, Ind., March 13.—"Wanted: One chief of police who will give bond assuring the city officials that he will stay on the job at least one year. One day off each week and pay every two weeks. Those interested apply at once." Such is the advertisement Mayor Smith has in mind, following the resignation of Frank Culver, present chief of police. During the past nine months, four police chiefs have been secured here and each has resigned after about three months' service. Each of the chiefs resigned to accept employment with an Akron (O.) asphalt company.

### A LETTER FOR WOMEN

From a Woman Whose Serious Illness Was Overcome by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Garnett, Kas.—"I first took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for a complete nervous breakdown following the birth of my oldest child. I got up too soon which caused serious female trouble. I was so weak that I was not able to be on my feet but very little and could not do my housework at all. I had a bad pain in my left side and it would pain terribly if I stepped off a curb-stone. One day one of my book-lets was thrown in the yard and I read every word in it. There were so many who had been helped by your medicine that I wanted to try it and my husband went to town and got me a bottle. It seemed as though I felt relief after the second dose, so I kept on until I had taken five bottles and by that time I was as well as I could wish. About a year later I gave birth to a ten-day boy, and have had two more children since and my health has been fine. If I ever have trouble of any kind I am going to take your medicine for I give it all the praise for my good health. I always recommend your medicine whenever I can."—Mrs. E. A. SHAY, Garnett, Kansas.



### MARCH 14TH WILL BE HOLIDAY IN ITALY

(By Associated Press)  
ROME, March 13.—A royal decree issued Friday announced that March 14 will be a national holiday, being the centenary of the birth of King Victor Emmanuel II.

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