

## VOCATIONAL REPORT MADE OF THE CITY SCHOOLS BY M'COMB

Progress and results of the vocational department of public schools of Richmond are shown in the annual report which H. G. McComb, vocational department of schools at Indianapolis. McComb came here in September, 1919, and since then has caused Richmond to assume a leading part in vocational education of the country. His work has been divided into two groups, part time or continuation classes, and vocational machine shop work.

In regard to the former, the report says the first step was to have the school board enforce the compulsory school law for children between 14 and 16 years old. Therefore all work permits issued last fall contained the clause that the children spend four hours a week in school.

"Employers had to be interviewed and the situation explained," said the report. "Cordial responses were received at the factories. The attitude of the boys and girls was less cordial. Any mention of public school brought out the fact that most of the children had quit not because of economic necessity, but because of some real or fancied grievance against the school authorities. This prejudice had to be overcome."

Assurance was given that the work would be tied as closely as possible to the industry in which they were engaged. A program to include arithmetic, benchwork, and plays and games was planned.

It was soon found that there was another group from the metal working trades and these boys were given some forging, blueprint reading, and wood turning. By this time the group had grown so that it seemed advisable to redivide it. A third teacher was engaged and arithmetic, English and letter writing added.

The girls presented a problem of a different sort. They were employed mainly in two glove factories. In one of these there was a room set aside for a general recreation room and the manager offered this for the school work. A course was planned in which the three "Rs" were emphasized. To this was added simple hygiene and a citizenship. Later the girls from a second glove factory were organized into two groups and meetings planned in the regular high school building. Once a week these girls had the use of the gymnasium. In every possible way they were given to understand that the complete facilities of the public schools were for them.

During the year of 1918 and 1919 a fine high school machine shop had been equipped. Four vocational machine shop boys reported for work on the opening of school. With an average of 400 boys in the school, this seemed a ridiculously small number. With some advertising among some dissatisfaction boys both among the school and in the industry several other boys were added to the list.

At the opening of the second semester two groups of vocational boys were formed and one group of high school boys. There are now 35 boys in the shop and a full time instructor has been secured. These boys work 15 hours each week in the machine shop and 15 hours divided between English, shop mathematics and mechanical drawing.

get supplies, according to heads of the work.

### MUST SELL SUGAR

Following the ruling of Attorney-General Palmer, local grocers learned Wednesday that it is ruled unfair to compel the purchase of other articles by customers in order to get sugar. If the price is paid sugar must be sold, the ruling says.

### RED MEN CONVENE

Delegates from Richmond and Wayne county lodges of Red Men were to attend the annual state Haymakers' convention, which was to convene Wednesday in Indianapolis.

### SORENSEN TO MEETING

Manager C. M. Sorensen, of the Welfare Loan society of this city, will leave Thursday morning for Muncie, to attend a convention of the managers of the Welfare Loan societies of Indiana and Ohio, to be held in that city.

### 16 DAYS; NO FIRES

Sixteen days have gone by without a fire or a false alarm in the city. The local firemen have not clambered on the big trucks for a run since Monday, May 3.

### "Y" MEN'S CLASS BIG

The "Y" Business Men's noon class is thriving. Eighteen men were on the floor for work Monday noon.

### PREPARE FOR HIKE

Junior A's and B's of the Y. M. C. A., will go on the gym floor together at 9 a. m., Saturday. This will be done so that all of them can go on the hike Saturday afternoon.

### MAY STOP IMPROVEMENTS

The board of works will consider the city council's proposal to abandon the improvements on South E, Fourth street and Ft. Wayne avenue, at its meeting Thursday morning. The contracts for the proposed improvements have not been let and the board can reject any and all bids.

### TWO ARE ARRESTED

Albert Newman arrested in Muncie Tuesday p. m., by Sheriff Carr on charge of failure to support his wife, was confined to the county jail Wednesday. The sheriff also arrested Jesse Rash of Losantville, near Muncie, Tuesday evening. He is cited with contempt of court in Wayne county.

### EDGERTONS VISIT HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Edgerton of Detroit, Mich., are visiting Mr. Edgerton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Edgerton, at their home, 236 Pearl street.

### STRAYER TO SPEAK

Frank Strayer will address the I. O. O. F. Roll Call at Milton, Wednesday evening. Mr. Strayer will also deliver the memorial day address at Jacksonburg, Sunday, May 23.

### UNDERTAKERS MEET

Theodore Hunt, of the firm of Jordan, McManus, Hunt & Walterman, funeral directors, and Ora Stegall, connected with Wilson, Pohlmeyer & Company, are attending the annual state convention of funeral directors now in session at Indianapolis. Mr. Hunt was to have given an address before the convention Wednesday, reporting the Atlantic City convention held recently.

### MRS. CONDE GUEST HTRE

Mrs. H. T. Conde, of Peoria, Ill., is the guest of Mrs. Arthur Hill, 122 South Fourteenth street.

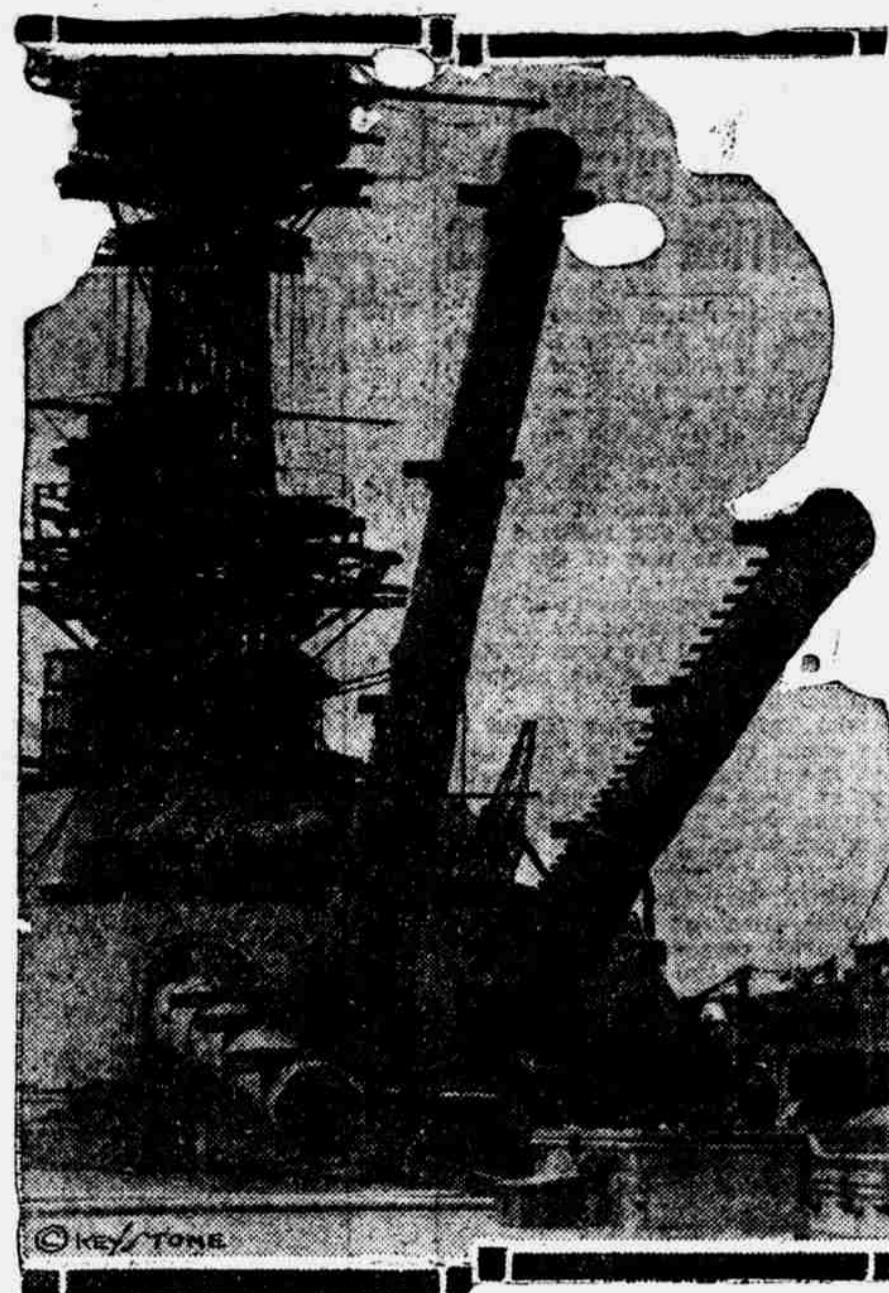
### GARDENERS REAPING

Home gardeners of Richmond are beginning to enjoy the fruits of their labors. Despite cold weather, green onions have sprouted to the height fit for table use. Home grown products are beginning to find their way into Richmond markets.

### CLASS TO ENTERTAIN

An entertainment is to be given by the continuation classes of high school

## BIG GUNS ADORN NEWEST DREADNAUGHT



A glimpse of the Tennessee, showing six of her big guns.

Uncle Sam's newest superdreadnaught, the Tennessee, is nearing completion at the Brooklyn navy yard and will soon be put into commission. She is 624 feet over all and has all that is newest in equipment—twelve 14-inch guns, fourteen 5-inch rifles, four 6-pounders, four 3-inch anti-aircraft guns and two submerged torpedo tubes.

in the high school auditorium at 7:30 p. m. Thursday. The program has been arranged and will be furnished by class members. Included in the program is a short playlet. Musical and vocal numbers are included. Parents and friends are invited.

### ENGLAND DISTANCING

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still believes it none of his business to help in securing American business.

"It is different with the English diplomat. He often goes out of his way to land an order for the English traveler, before it will help in his country's prosperity. That is the way they are putting England on the map.

### Carelessness Criticized

"The carelessness of the American manufacturer in exporting his goods to South American countries is also one of the most serious knocks to American trade.

"He does not seem to realize that if he doesn't send the goods exactly the way they were ordered that the im-

porter often has to pay a heavy fine, imposed by his country.

"Rules are very strict in nearly all of the South American countries, and after the importer has to pay a fine on his goods several times, he decides that he will not purchase more goods of Americans because they do not respect his wishes.

"Often these wishes are trivial, and seem ridiculous to the American exporter, but if he realized how transportation facilities in some of the countries are so bad that the merchant has to make a five-day trip on mule to get his goods to his place of business, they would not pack their material in 200-pound boxes when the South American importer ordered them packed in 100-pound boxes.

### U. S. Capital Must Step In.

"It is time for American capital to step in with aid in establishing lighting power, railroads, water works and other public utilities. Approximately nine-tenths of these utilities are now financed by English capital.

"One of the best things being done in those countries by Americans is the establishing of chambers of commerce.

These are organized and maintained by American business men, and the work is being done without compensation."

Mr. Nicholson told of the difference in education and general civilized conditions between the northern and southern countries. In the north the streets, hotels, and average communities are very unsanitary.

The opposite is true in the southern part of South America. There, the best and most modern equipments and methods are practiced. It was his opinion that Brazil was one of the furthest advanced countries.

Grades first, second, and third will present "Mother Goose Flower Garden" Thursday night, May 20, at the Hurst opera house. Friday night, May 21, the high school members of the Glee club will present the cantata, "The Flower Queen." Single admission, 15 and 25 cents.

a machinist by trade and was in the employment of Berensch and company. A. H. Wiseman, undertaker, had charge of the funeral. Burial was in Riverside cemetery.

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Funeral services will be conducted Friday at 2 p. m. from the home. Burial will be in Lutheraan. The Rev. O. T. F. Tressel will officiate. Friends may call Thursday afternoon and evening and are asked to omit flowers.

**Mrs. Laura Canan Passes  
Away At Her Home Here**

Mrs. Laura E. Canan, 57 years old, died early Wednesday morning at her home, 116 North Sixth street.

She is survived by her husband William Canan; two sons, Harry and George Canan; three daughters, Mrs. Ed Smith, of Centerville, and Mrs. Walter Sherman and Mrs. Albert Sherman, both of this city; two brothers, Arthur C. Smith, of Cincinnati, and Azel Smith, of this city; one sister, Mrs. Orpha McBride, of this city, and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services will be announced

### Mrs. Mary Oelklaus Dead At Home of Her Daughter

Mrs. Mary Oelklaus, 73 years old, died Tuesday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Fossen- kemp, 333 South Tenth street.

Surviving her are five daughters, Mrs. Charles Fossenkemp and Mrs. R. Hostetter, both of this city; Mrs. Abel, of Pensacola, Fla.; Mrs. McKinney, of Connersville, Ind., and Mrs. Kirkman, of Whitewater, and two

William and Frank Oelk-later.

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**\$1.00** For 2-Quart Hot Water Bottle, non-leakable stopper; \$1.25 value.

**\$1.00** For 25 rolls Toilet Paper, limit 25 rolls; no phone orders.

**\$1.00** Wide Fancy Ribbons for bags, camisoles and hair bows, \$1.25 values.

**\$1.00** For 2 boxes Stationery, assorted 4 tints, 48 sheets and 48 envelopes; on sale until sold out.

**\$1.00** For 4 pairs Children's Muslin Drawers, broken sizes, good quality.

**\$1.00** Men's Heavy Khaki Work Shirts, all sizes, \$1.25 value.

**\$1.00** For 4 pairs Women's Cotton Hose in white, cordovan, and black.

**\$1.00** For 2 pairs Women's Gordon Lisle Hose, brown only, all sizes.

**\$1.00** For 3 yards Long Cloth, regular price 40c yard.

**\$1.00** For 2 1/2 yards 32-inch-wide Fine Ginghams, plaid and stripes, or as much more as you want at 40c yard; 59c value.

**\$1.00** For 2 yards 36-inch Printed Dress Voiles, lot of new patterns, or as much more as you want at 50c yard.

**\$1.00** For 3 yards Dress Gingham, 40c value, or as much more as you want at 33 1/3c per yard.

**\$1.00** For good Percale House Jacket, light or dark, \$1.50 value.

**\$1.00** For Ladies' Kimono, assorted colors, \$1.50 value, small figure, crepe, all sizes.

### SPECIAL

Just received third shipment of Georgette Blouses, all colors, sizes up to 44 bust, \$7.50 to \$8.50 value—choice ..... \$4.98  
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### Short News of City

**COULDN'T BORROW—SPRONG**  
Otto H. Sprong, charged with appropriating \$4,685.84 while employed in the Richmond postoffice, said he was 49 years old and had been employed in the Richmond postoffice 15 years when arraigned in the federal court at Indianapolis Tuesday. He said the embezzlement of money had extended over a period of four years and that he did not know how much he had taken until he saw the report of the postoffice inspector. He did not offer any excuse for having taken the money, but said he had expected to pay it back when he could borrow the money. He said he had always been unsuccessful in his attempts to borrow.

**A METHODIST JOKE**  
Methodist attending the North Indiana M. E. conference, in Richmond, were discussing what had become of a number of the old-time ministers they had known.

"When the cost of living became so high," said one of the group, "our pastor resigned, went to live on his farm and now is in the dairy business." "And I suppose," said another, "he now sells pasteurized milk."—Indianapolis News.

**DEDICATION POSTPONED**  
The dedication of the Mary E. Thomas home for colored girls, has been postponed for two weeks. Officials do not wish to dedicate the home until everything is in readiness. Original plans called for the dedication on May 19 but unforeseen delays prevented.

**MURRAY ON COMMITTEE**  
The Rev. L. E. Murray, pastor of the First Christian church of this city, and who is attending the state Christian Church convention in Vincennes, Ind., has been appointed as a member of a memorial committee.

**DILKS IS BETTER**  
George Dilks of the Land-Dilks Company, is reported as recovering from a recent operation for appendicitis. His home is in Spring Grove.

**STUDY IS BETTER**  
Robert Study, attorney of South Sixteenth street, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, is recovering.

**ROAD WORK DELAYED**  
Construction and maintenance work of the state highway commission on state roads, including those running through Wayne county, has been much delayed by weather and inability to

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