

BARRING MARRIED TEACHERS EMPLOYED

Board Member Avers Women Cannot Properly Rear Children and Be at School.

ACTION BASED ON RULE

Statement Also Points Out That Under Civil Service Law Unmarried Instructors Ultimately Might Be Excluded.

A statement prepared by a member of the School Board setting forth his position in regard to the question of employing married women in the public schools was issued yesterday.

It points out that the employment of married teachers under the operation of the present civil service law, might ultimately exclude all unmarried teachers in this district.

The Board member argues that a moral as well as an economic question is involved in the problem and that the Board is quite willing to be directed by the will of the public in making a decision.

No Order Made.

The statement follows: "The School Board has made no order against married women. It simply declined to re-employ certain married women on the temporary list. There are other married women on this list that were not employed. The action of the Board was predicated upon a rule in existence for many years, viz: 'Employment of married women teachers, matrons of women teachers during term of service. Married women shall not be eligible to positions as teachers in this district except by special resolution of the Board. All women teachers who marry during their term of service thereby terminate their contract with the district.'

"Under this rule, it has never been the policy of the Board to wholly exclude married women from the teaching force. It has employed married women, where it was shown that, through sickness or accident to the husband, the burden of supporting themselves and their families had been shifted to them, and many in this class were reappointed for the next term.

"Nevertheless, in a few cases, married women have been, from time to time, employed, where no such disability existed and where the husbands who were not re-employed for the next term were in that class.

Many on Permanent List.

"These appointments concern only those in the temporary or probationary list of teachers. To understand what is meant by the temporary list, it may be well to explain that the Legislature of 1913 enacted a civil service law for teachers. This act provided for a list of permanently employed teachers, and probationary women on the list of permanently employed teachers.

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"Whether this would, or would not, present a social and economic problem of a more or less serious character is left to the public and to the teachers' organizations to solve.

Moral Question Seen.

"Leaving out the economic question, is there not a moral question involved? Marriage is a high and holy and serious vocation and involves exacting duties. Teaching is also an honorable calling, and the position of teacher in the public schools is one that tests the strength, physical and intellectual, of those who are thus engaged. A woman who marries owes a duty to herself, to society and to God, which she cannot discharge if she engages in a strenuous occupation outside of her home duties.

"In short, she cannot bear children and care for a family and teach for hire in a public school any more than she can work at any other exhausting gainful occupation. Other obvious considerations aside, a teacher expecting to be a mother is physically incapable of discharging the duties of the school-room. There is no question of intellectual equipment or capacity involved at all. It is simply a question of fitness. If a teacher insists upon her right to be in the schoolroom after the birth of children she cannot properly nurture or care for her children, or make a home, in any proper sense.

"To say that the operation of the foregoing rule would be to exclude, or discriminate unjustly against married women, is to take a narrow view of the situation. In short, the question is more one of public interest than of private or personal interest. It is a question for the public to settle.

"The School Board, as a public body, has sought to do its duty as it saw it. If the Board has not met the question properly it is for the public to set it right. In the enforcement of any general rule it is impossible to do justice in all cases, but it has been the purpose of the Board heretofore to interpret the rule liberally.

OREGON MANAGER IN CITY

A. B. Tiffany, New Head of Varsity Athletics, Visits Portland.

A. R. Tiffany, newly-elected graduate manager of athletics at the University of Oregon, is a Portland visitor.

Manager Tiffany graduated from the university in 1905, and was elected registrar that year. He has held down this important position ever since, and as graduate treasurer in addition, he has gained valuable knowledge that will stand him in good stead in his newest sideline.

All schedules for next Fall's football have already been drafted so that Manager Tiffany will not have to indulge in much wirepulling until the annual session in December.

With such able coaches as Hugo Boddek and "Bill" Hayward to assist him, Manager Tiffany should prove a valuable man for Oregon.

Dean Walker, who is retiring, made an enviable record for himself last year. His football team gave Washington its hardest struggle and this Spring Oregon landed championships in tennis, football and track.

LARGE CLASS OF NURSES GRADUATED RECENTLY FROM GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL, AFTER COMPLETING TWO-YEAR COURSE.



Top Row, 1. Anna Aurora McAllister; 2. Ethel Maud Stephens; 3. Minnie Corlyn Pipher; 4. Willa Lavell Herron; 5. Beale Cornelia Sanderson; 6. Cora Eleanor Ewing; 7. Mabel Grace Youngberg—Second Row, 1. Anne Witte; 2. Rebecca Elizabeth Hall; 3. Margaret Jane McAllister; 4. Beale Rice Campbell; 5. Nina Bell Voorhies; 6. Anna Gertrude Fischer; 7. Martha Tappendean; 8. Frances Carroll McCollum—Third Row, 1. Winifred Olsen; 2. Sarah Florence Thurston; 3. Lydia Frey; 4. Emma Haeffler Allen; 5. Frieda Harlick; 6. Amy Cyrus—Bottom Row, 1. Alice Evangelina Thomas; 2. Eleanor Lois White; 3. Ruth Ann Hellivell; 4. Vivian D. Galbraith; 5. Florence Matilda Williams; 6. Zella Alice Proudfoot.

REFORM AIDS MEET

Social Workers' Club Gives Dinner and Programme.

The Social Workers' Club met on Friday night in the Hazelwood for a dinner followed by a programme of addresses.

Organization Takes Steps to Obtain Legislation as to Unemployed and Immigration Problem. Officers Are Proposed.

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BLACK-FACE COMEDIANS HALT TILT ON INSURANCE

Oakland Agent Who Takes Prospective Customer to Theater Says That Two Actors in "The Passing Show of 1913" Ruined Big Commission

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Rationalist Lecture Scheduled. "The Age-Long Persecution of the Jews; the Tragedy of the World's Greatest Superstition," will be the subject of a lecture by Edward Adams Cantrell.

Man's Hand Crushed. B. Simmons, 236 South avenue, St. Johns, crushed his hand yesterday while repairing a well cover. He was taken to the Good Samaritan Hospital. He is 28 years old.

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