

# U. S. CHAMBER SAYS TEACHERS' PAY TOO LOW

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—The salaries, training and experience of public school teachers in the United States are declared to be "inadequate" by the national committee for chamber of commerce cooperation with the public schools. Despite recent salary increases, the committee asserts that the crisis has not been passed.

These conclusions are drawn in a summary of a survey of the schools of 259 cities conducted by the committee, which is composed of 25 secretaries of chambers of commerce and 23 superintendents of schools.

"The thoughtful citizen needs to ask himself," declared Dr. George W. Strayer of Columbia university, chairman of the committee, "in the light of the returns presented by our inquiry, questions like the following: Can teachers in our community have a comfortable place to live, good food and decent clothes for the amount of money which we pay them? Are the teachers who work in our schools able, on the salary paid to them, to make provision against the liabilities of illness and old age? Do the teachers in our cities have salaries sufficient to enable them to buy books, to subscribing to magazines, to enjoy music, to travel, to continue their professional study and otherwise to lead the type of life which makes them the kind of men and women that can be most helpful to my boys and girls? Would I want my son and daughter to go into teaching? Is the recognition given to teachers, in terms of salary, in my city sufficient to attract the ablest of the young men and women in our community?"

The replies to these inquiries, in view of the findings, must all be in the negative, says Dr. Strayer.

In 1913-14 one-half of the men elementary teachers in cities with a population of from 5000 to 30,000, the report shows, received less than \$946. In 1919-20, one-half of the same group were receiving less than \$1262, an advance of \$316 or 25 per cent. Meanwhile, it was stated, the cost of living had advanced 104 per cent.

American cities paid high school principals an average of \$2500 last year while elementary school principals received an average salary of \$1829. "Many of the salaries paid in these positions requiring the management of complex organization and skillful leadership," the report points out, "are not enough to secure a competent secretary, let alone to be considered adequate pay for the principals." A summary of the survey issued by the committee says: "The survey also discloses that the salaries of artisans and laborers throughout the country are much higher on the average than those of teachers. These low salaries have resulted in a serious teacher shortage throughout the country. The demand for teachers is so great that students leave normal schools when their courses have been but half completed. An alarmingly large proportion of the teachers as a result are emergency teachers lacking in proper training for their work."

Reports from the cities of this survey show that 50 per cent of the teachers in the elementary schools of American cities have had less than six and one-third years of training beyond the eighth grade; that 50 per cent of the junior high school teachers have had less than seven years training beyond, and that 50 per cent of the senior high school teachers have had less than eight and one-half years.

Chambers of commerce in every state have assumed the leadership in conducting local campaigns to bring the seriousness of the situation to public attention and organize community forces for improving conditions.

## Publishes "Soldier's Letter From Heaven"

VIENNA, Nov. 3.—The social democratic press has published an election propaganda some of the letters printed at the instance of the Austro-Hungarian government during the war to pacify the discontent of the people. One taken from the Reichspost is captioned "A Soldier's Letter from Heaven" and reads:

"What you were recently told in this pious paper of the joys of the blessed did not by any means approach the truth. It is in reality far more magnificence and splendor which surrounds the throne of the blessed Queen of Battles and of the delights which she hold in readiness for her soldier-children.

"You cherished the wish that I might return home and, having celebrated with you our victory, have continued to be your support as in yesteryears. But I say to you what our Saviour said to his disciples before his ascension: 'It is well that I go from you.' In Heaven I can help you more than on earth. And why should I celebrate victories there before you? I have won the true victory for all eternity. I daily thank the dear Virgin that she did not stop the bullet that pierced my heart."

## LAKE TAHOE A WONDER SPOT

Far Above the Level of the Sea and Surrounded by Aw-inspiring Mountains.

Nestling in a setting of rugged crags and awe-inspiring mountains in a depression of the Sierra Nevada, 6,225 feet above the level of the sea, lies Lake Tahoe, titled from the Washon Indian name, meaning "Big Water." "High Water." It was a wonder hunting and fishing place of the Indians, who first told the white man of its glories; and the fame of the lake with its outdoor wonderlands has been spread now to the four corners of the earth. The lake, noted for its crystal depths, lies in a bed of granite and lava.

Scientists claim that ages ago a great glacier sweeping down from the north gouged a canyon out from the granite in Mount Tallac so profound that when in later ages a volcano on the east dammed it with lava, the waters of the lake that formed behind the barrier stood more than 1,500 feet deep.

Back in 1844 a party of explorers headed by Capt. John C. Fremont, U. S. A., forcing its way through the snow of the Sierra Nevada to the promised land of the Sacramento valley, ran out of food supplies. Climbing a ridge near camp, Fremont discovered the lake, and from that day on it was practically in control of the white man. Its 15-mile sweep makes it a famous motorboat course. Its deep waters abound with huge trout, and the glacial valleys about Tahoe are dotted with lakelets, also filled with trout.—Detroit News.

## EASTERN CANADA UNDER ICE

Professor Asserts It Was Covered a Nine Deep Forty Thousand Years Ago.

Prof. A. F. Coleman of the faculty of applied science and engineering of the University of Toronto, whose hobby is studying the ice age, and who has toured many countries in his research work, believes the ice age was present in Canada about 40,000 years ago. As a result of his inspection of the rocks and mountains of the territory of Quebec, in eastern Canada, where there are valuable fishing grounds, he had been convinced that the ice which has covered that part of Canada to a depth of about a mile, never passed over that portion of eastern Canada.

The thick-shank mountains, which are really a continuation of the Appalachian range, are the backbone of Quebec, and the highest land of eastern Canada. Professor Coleman did find, however, that a great glacial sheet had filled the Gulf of the St. Lawrence. He has also found that the great range of the Rocky mountains has been pushed seven miles into the prairie.

Professor Coleman was probably one of the first scientists to visit Quebec, despite the fact that the French landed there centuries ago.

There has always been a passionate protest in the heart of the race against that element in life which men call fate; the play upon unprotected nature of some events, accidents, calamities, which are beyond human control. These arbitrary happenings are often tragic in their consequences; they often seem wholly irrational; they have at times a touch of brutal irony. In many cases one is tempted to presently fate as a malignant spirit, studiously and with malicious cunning seeking ways of wounding, stinging, bruising and poisoning the most sensitive souls. There have been human careers so completely distorted and thwarted that it has seemed as if the gods are jealous of men, and anxious to rob the great rewards of their sweetness and the noblest achievements of their fruit.

## Attar of Roses.

The climatic conditions in the lower mountains of Bulgaria are favorable to the production of the best varieties of oil roses. The variety most grown is the red damask rose, a native of Persia, and, in the times of our fathers, very popular in America. Catharine de Medici, who was passionately fond of the odor of roses, selected the then called Valley de Var for their growth and small factories were established there. Today this little valley in the south of France leads not only in the production of roses, but of other odorous oil-bearing flowers. The chief town in the valley is Grasse, and is the center of the greatest flower-oil industry in the world.

## Virtues of Bare Feet.

Eye was reputedly barefoot, and Nausicaa played ball all the better because she went unshod.

Helen of Troy at the most wore sandals, and the sandal is the compromise between the shoeless and the shoe. It is easier to make sandals than to make boots.

In Ireland and Scotland the children have run barefoot for many a day, and the wit of the one and the enterprise of the other show that there is nothing really demoralizing in going without shoes and stockings.—London Chronicle.

## No Longer His.

"I thought you owned an automobile." "I do, but I taught the wife to drive it and now I'm back to the street cars."

# CHILE WANTS PRE-CIVIL WAR PEACE IN S. A.

SANTIAGO, Chile, Oct. 15.—(By Mail)—Chile desires peace and tranquility on the South American continent and has earnestly tried to obtain a friendly solution of her question's leading statesmen, told The Associated Press correspondent today. The dispute between Chile and Peru over Tacna and Arica and Bolivia's aspirations for an outlet to the sea has been widely debated by the public and in the press here since the military revolt of La Paz, Bolivia, in July when a political party, said to be hostile to Chile, assumed power of the controversy with Peru, Senator Yanes said:

"To push her policy of hostility and repeal of international good faith, Peru has entered into a great program of armaments and believes she can count on the support of the United States and the league of nations.

"Chile on several occasions has tried to reach an agreement for holding the plebiscite and, with the exception of the unratified agreement of 1912, Peru always has resisted an understanding, proposing clauses or expressing exigencies unacceptable or depressing to Chile."

Referring to the Bolivian question, Senator Yanes said:

"The relations between Chile and Bolivia are regulated by the treaty of 1904 under which the latter ceded definitely to Chile the province of Antofagasta, lost by Bolivia in the Pacific war. Until recently, cordial relations had been maintained between the two countries. In July, a military revolution broke out in La Paz; President Gutierrez Guerra was deposed and banished and a Junta de Gobierno was organized. This new order raised as a slogan the non-recognition of the treaty of 1904 and the reclamation of the territories which by this pact were recognized as Chile's. They were annexed to years ago and a great Chilean population is in them.

## Motorists Startled by Cigarette-Smoking Snake

Motoring near Bellefonte, Pa., a party of motorists were confronted by a huge blacksnake coiled in the middle of the road, smoking a cigarette. They rubbed their eyes to make sure they were not seeing things when they heard laughing nearby and several young men stepped from the bushes. They were members of Prof. J. A. Ferguson's class of foresters from the Pennsylvania State college, who were camping nearby and had killed the snake and put the cigarette in its mouth to see what would happen when the first man who came along would discover it.

## Free Port for Helsinki.

Helsinki, Finland.—The city of Helsinki, which already has three harbors, plans to construct one more, to be a free port, at an expense of about forty billion marks. As soon as conditions again become normal the free port will be enlarged at a cost of several hundred million marks, to take care of the lumber exports and imports.



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## "A House of Gold."

A house of gold really exists. It stands in a little place called Rosamond, on the Mohave desert in California, as a sort of monument to an old miner who "struck it rich." His gold properties were in the vicinity of Rosamond, which years ago gave promise of some day becoming a city, and when the miner's wealth accumulated he determined to do something nice for the place, so he reared this structure of rock and put in the entire front of gold ore from his discoveries. It is a large building, and of heavy construction, particularly that part made of the gold-bearing rock, which runs about \$25 to the ton in yellow metal. The mines whence this came have been worked out. It is not unlikely that some day, when the building is razed, the rock will be milled and the gold extracted, and it may yield a large amount, because some very rich streaks were encountered, and part of this rock undoubtedly came from these ledges.

## Economy is Felled.

Mr. A. has a relative living in Cincinnati, whose firm deals in oil of one kind and another. Last fall Mr. A. decided he would paint his house and, thinking he would save a little money, he planned to buy the paint and the oil from the relative at the wholesale price, and to hire the painters. The paint and oil were duly ordered, but arrived too late to be used last fall, so they were stored away until spring. Recently Mr. A. hired the necessary painters, brought out the paint and oil and set them to work. Imagine his chagrin when it was discovered after the painting was completed that the oil was of the common lubricating variety. The mixture did not work, but dripped off the house like water, and now Mr. A. has workers busy burning the paint off. The contracting painter will buy both paint and oil for the new costs.

## SLEEPS ON TELEGRAPH WIRES

New Yorker, Rescued From Dizzy Couch by Police, Says He Was "Out With Boys."

New York.—William Merkel, thirty, who refused to give his address, could not remember in the Newark City hospital how he climbed a telegraph pole at Fleming avenue and Providence street. Policeman Bush was patrolling his beat when he saw Merkel lying across the wires stop the pole.

Not knowing whether Merkel was dead or sleeping, and fearing to arouse the man by shouting, he sent for the reserves.

While the officers held a net a "steepjack" member of the force climbed the pole, awakened Merkel and induced him to come down.

Merkel said he had been "out with the boys," but had no recollection of having climbed the pole, nor how long he had been there.

## North Dakotan Invents Grasshopper Harvester

Plumber, N. D.—Ed Larkin has invented a grasshopper trap that gave excellent satisfaction this year. The trap consists of a galvanized tank 16 feet long with a perpendicular screen several feet high at the back. It is mounted on two small wheels, pulled by two horses, and the tank is filled with kerosene and soap. Mr. Larkin caught 100 bushels of grasshoppers.

A classified Ad will sell it.

## A Post.

The Mediterranean fly (karattit capitata) has for several years caused considerable damage in Greece to the fruit and vegetable crops. Oranges, apples, pears, peaches, apricots, plums and tomatoes have been especially affected. No remedy has yet been discovered, but there seems to have been little attempt to prevent the spread of this pest.—Omaha Bee.

## Which Was Right?

Little Mary (busy doing home lessons)—Mother, is it right to say, "Girls is" or "Girls are?" Mother—"Girls are," of course. Little Mary—But then, mother, it doesn't sound right to say: "Girls, are my hat on straight?"

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