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A GREAT MEETING OF SCHOOL HEADS

Forty county and city school superintendents met in Charleston Tuesday and Wednesday in a conference of superintendents called by State Superintendent of Public Instruction F. G. Blair. The following topics were under discussion during the meetings:

- County Superintendent's Annual Report.
- Problems of Supervision.
- The Recitation and Study Program.
- Consolidation of Schools.
- A County Census and Attendance Officer.
- The Educational Commission on Rural Schools.
- Round Table on School Laws.
- Tuesday afternoon the educators discussed the matter of teachers' annual reports, and a new form of program for one and two room schools. Mr. Hoffman made an address on "Directed Study," and Mr. Booth talked on the question of "Consolidated Schools."

The use of the victrola in the public schools was demonstrated by Miss Margaret Streeter of Camden, N. J., who had been at the Parker Dry goods store, local agents for the Victor company, for several days. The demonstration, as given by Miss Streeter, caused all to believe that "Appreciation of Music" was a great and entertaining feature of the program.

The afternoon session was under the direction of F. G. Blair, present State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and former supervisor of the model department of the Eastern Illinois State Teachers College. He was given a warm welcome by the visitors as well as by his friends who knew him when he made Charleston his home.

The evening program was in charge of the faculty of the Teachers College, following a six o'clock dinner given by President Lord and served in Pemberton Hall. The menu, a most tempting one, was greatly enjoyed.

Mr. Lord presided at the evening session, and the program consisted of a talk by H. E. Taylor on "Reorganization of Work in Arithmetic," Miss McKinney's excellent talk on "English," and the three zither solos played by Fredereich Koch, supervisor of music for the Teachers College.

The meeting which was in session Wednesday forenoon ad-

High School District Tournament

The balcony is completed and a long felt need is satisfied. Now, why can't we bring the High School District Tournament here? A week or so ago the merchants of Charleston agreed to back Coach Lantz's idea of bringing this tournament here. This series of games to decide the district basketball championship has been played in the Sparks Business College gym at Shelbyville for the last five or six years; but as the crowds increase each year that town finds it a serious matter to handle a thousand or more visitors. Charleston can easily handle the visitors, and we are sure that all accommodations needed would be given by the merchants of this friendly city. Will it benefit the school? A thousand or more students of the surrounding district would be here for three days to inspect the buildings and equipment, and what better advertisement could we want? Our gymnasium is undoubtedly the best available one in this district. The gym is always properly lighted and the ventilation is much better than the gym at Shelbyville, since their gym is below the level of the street. One who has sat or played in the Shelbyville gym when a thousand or more people were crowded into it, can appreciate the excellent lighting and ventilating system of our up-to-date gym. Several other schools in this district favor the tournament being here. Sullivan says if the tournament is played here they will compete; but if it isn't they will go to another district. Supt. Brewer of Kansas favors holding the tournament here and his team is very anxious to play on the Charleston floor. Of course the Charleston fans and school officials are very anxious to hold the tournament here. How can you help? Talk this matter over and decide definitely what you are going to do. By all means write to the coach of your home team, or the superintendent of schools in your town and influence him to help you in getting the tournament at E. I. You can do your bit in few minutes time and save Coach Lantz's time, who is doing a lot to bring the tournament here. It will mean a lot to you, your school and the city of Charleston.

journed at noon. The visiting educators were loud in their praise of the great reception given them by Mr. Lord and other members of the faculty of this great state school.

Interesting Feature of Game

In the first half of the game last Thursday night, E. I. made one basket out of 33 shots, while Carbondale made five baskets out of twenty-five shots. Totals were: E. I., 4 out of 85, or about 5 per cent; Carbondale, 8 out of 60 or 13 1-3 per cent.

There will be a basketball game Saturday evening between two alumni teams. E. I. high will play a curtain raiser with Brocton. First game at 7:00. Admission 50 cents. Season tickets are not good. "Rocky" Hampton, Steve Turner, Earl Anderson, Leslie Cook, Ralph Adams, Hubert McKenzie and Floyd Wilson will probably be in the lineups.

Saturday night at 7:30, on the home floor E. I. High will meet Brocton High. Nothing is known of the visitors. Coaches Spooner and Moore have brought the team out of the Shelbyville game form and have positively assured us that Brocton is coming out loser. The above sentiment is also voiced by the basketball

squad. E. I. High has lost three games, but intend to break that losing streak Saturday night.

Moving Picture Machine in Successful Operation

Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock in the assembly room, four reels of moving pictures on the subject of coal mining and the manufacture of mining machinery were shown. This was the first exhibition of the new moving picture machine. To the large student audience it proved that moving pictures are a reality.

To Tour Five States

Elsa Diemer, who was selected by the committee on the New York Music Festival as one of their soloists on April 5th, is expected to arrive in this country at the end of March. She will fill engagements in the states of New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Illinois. The committee on our music festival in May has also engaged her as one of their soloists.

TICKETS TICKETS TICKETS

All persons, including students, should present their athletic tickets at the door Thursday night. Failure to have a ticket will bar you from entering the gym. See the office if you have lost your ticket.

E. I. 14, S. I. N. U. 19

Inability to locate the basket again lost us a game when S. I. N. U. defeated the home team by a five point margin 19-14. The locals were outplayed in the first half, being held to one field goal and four free throws. The Egyptians made 8 points before Lynch tossed a free throw for E. I. The second half saw an E. I. team come back and fight Carbondale off their feet. Although the score was 8-7 in our favor this last half, nearly a score of shots were missed under the E. I. goal. Both halves we were singularly unlucky in shooting. A jinx seemed to be on the ball when it started for our basket. For once, tough luck can be blamed for a defeat. Wilson and Dunn starred for the home outfit, while the tall, lanky, Valentine, Carbondale's center, starred for the visitors. The Carbondale guards were fast and clever floor men.

E. I.	R	F	P	T
Dunn, l g	0	0	2	1
Snyder, r g	0	0	0	1
Fawley, c	1	0	0	0
Black, l f	1	0	2	0
Lynch, r f	0	4	1	0
Wilson	2	2	0	0

S. I. N. U.	R	F	P	T
Brooks, r f	2	0	2	2
Chance, l f	1	3	0	0
Valentine, c	4	0	1	1
Allen, r g	1	0	2	0
Carter, l g	0	0	2	1

Referee—Asbury.
Timer—Nehring.
Scorer—Coyle.

E. I. HIGH 11, SHELBYVILLE HIGH 21

In a slow and poorly played game last Tuesday, E. I. High was defeated at Shelbyville by the score of 21-11. Both teams were unable to find the goal. E. I. in the second half about duplicated the performance of the varsity Thursday night. The E. I. outfit lacked the pep they displayed in both the Charleston and Mattoon contests. Porter, Shelbyville's colored star did not show up well, while their center, racked up five baskets. None of the E. I. men played up to the standard they made at the two previous games. Coach "Rocky" Hampton of Mattoon High refereed.

School visitors Saturday were Truman May, Fred Ferguson and Harold Stewart.

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REPORT ON MOVIE HABITS BY 3000 SCHOOL CHILDREN

In six schools, 2,610 pupils attend regularly, spending \$46,000 a year for shows.

Three thousand Chicago school children told about their movie attendance and tastes in response to a questionnaire sent out by Mrs. Estella L. Moulton, former chairman of the Better Films committee of the Illinois Council of Parent-Teacher Associations. Of these, 87 per cent attended from one to seven or more shows every week.

"I go to the movies nine times a week, every night and also in the afternoon on Saturday and Sunday," was the answer of one youngster to the query, "How many times a week do you go to the movies?"

"With several hundred of the children who responded to the questionnaire, attendance at the movies is a fixed habit," declared Mrs. Moulton. "Answers such as, 'I always go two times a week except in Lent—I never go in Lent,' and 'I always go every Friday night as there is no school the next day,' indicated the regularity of their movie-going. Indeed, Friday, Saturday and Sunday now mean attendance at the movies as definitely as Sunday used to mean attendance at Sunday-school."

The question, "What kind of pictures do you prefer?" brought out a wealth of matter that reformers and statisticians may well ponder.

"The pictures I like best are those which scare you," "Good, sensible pictures where people are very poor and grow rich," "Guns and police wagons—because people are all sad and excited," "Travels with Burton Holmes," "Mystery—but not too deep," "Lots of fighting when men are brave and fight for a girl," "Good books like Pollyana," "How

things are made," "Pictures of good western scenery," "Educational pictures like The Lincoln Highwayman," are types of the answers received.

The boy who said he went to the movies nine times a week doubtless saw every picture that came to his neighborhood, regardless of his preferences.

In order to determine the actual effect of the movies upon the school work of the pupils teachers in six schools were asked to indicate the two pupils standing highest and lowest in scholarship and deportment in each room. The data compiled in these representative districts of the city showed that the 275 best pupils used 393 tickets in one week, whereas the 275 poorest pupils used 503 tickets weekly. Another item of interest brought to light by the questionnaire is that the children in the poor tenement districts attend the movies as frequently as the children in the best residential sections.

According to the data received, boys and girls in the six schools covered by the questionnaire spent \$960 a week on the movies, making the total for the year reach the astonishing figure of \$46,000.

After serving two years on the Better Films committee and giving close study to the motion picture situation as it affects school children, Mrs. Moulton says:

"The publicity given to surveys and discussions on this subject are arousing both parents and teachers to the vital need of improvement in the films on which boys and girls spend their leisure time. The educational shows for children which are now being given in many cities on Saturday mornings can be traced directly to the untiring efforts of the Parent-Teacher associations."

LIBRARY EASTERN ILLINOIS STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE

The picture collection in the general library has recently been moved from inadequate boxes where it had been kept to our new vertical file. Here the pictures are much more accessible and convenient. We want you to make frequent use of our large collection. They are not meant only for teachers of geography to illustrate scenes and costumes of foreign countries, but for all members of the school. Feel free to ask to see pictures on subjects in which you are interested.

The Christian Church

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Mr. Lowry of the Y. M. C. A. spoke on The International Student Friendship Fund in chapel Saturday morning. He has been in Russia the last six years and was able to give us a graphic description of student life in Petrograd. His very effective style of speaking put the matter before the student body and faculty quite clearly. He was able to accomplish what he thought impossible, to present a real picture of student life in stricken Russia. A meeting was called for 11:10 to pledge to the Fund.

After the talk by Mr. Lowry, Mr. Koch played a selection on the zither. Efforts to obtain an encore were useless. Undoubtedly one encore would mean several more, and then where would the 9:30 period be?

The money from the Alumni game goes to the balcony fund.

MUSIC FESTIVAL

Wednesday and Friday, the Teachers College chorus held its first practices in the assembly room. This chorus, which will be composed of 400 students, will take a leading part in the annual music festival held in our building. This chorus will sing two songs during the festival. A mass chorus, composed of the Teachers College Chorus, and neighboring high schools, will sing two songs. This chorus, which will probably reach 600 this year, is the largest of its kind ever used in Charleston.

Besides the mammoth chorus, there will be other features equally as good. The part of the festival the most interesting to high schools, consists of contests held between glee clubs of different high schools, between boy soloists, and between girl soloists. These contests are open to all high schools in this section of the state, and the committee in charge hope and expect a larger number of schools than last year to participate.

The following soloists will aid in the festival: Miss Elsa Diemer, soprano; Miss Frieda Iklink, contralto; Mr. Eugene F. Dressler, tenor; Mr. Leo De-Hierapolis, baritone. Miss Diemer and Mr. Dressler need no introduction to a Charleston audience. The privilege of hearing Miss Diemer sing is alone worth the price of a season ticket. The students of the Teachers College are proud to know that Miss Diemer is a former member of this school, and the daughter of Mr. Koch.

The most popular of all the numbers of the program is an operetta given by the children of the elementary school. (More details about it will be given next week.)

A music festival was held in Charleston for the first time in 1920. It was so successful that it was unanimously agreed to hold one every year. The festival last year was more successful than the preceding one, and the one this year gives indications of being the most successful of all. These festivals are under the direction of Mr. Koch and Miss Major, members of the music department at the Teachers College. The school and the people of Charleston and neighboring communities are indebted to these two people for this wonderful festival. We can support them by helping in every way possible to make the festival a success.

Coach Lantz refereed the contest between Sparks and Carbondale last Wednesday evening. Sparks came out the short end of the score 26-19.

See the Alumni game Saturday

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Commencements

Plans for the commencement exercises for the graduates of the college course, normal school course and high school course have not been completed. Probably the graduating exercises (as at Harvard) will be combined and all the graduates receive their diplomas at the same time.

Indiana Normal Dope

Indiana Normal plays here Thursday. The Hoosiers make basketball their specialty and always have excellent teams. Last year, Winters was their star, making 22 out of 38 points in their game here. We understand that Winters is not with them this year. However, Indiana Normal can be depended on to bring an unusual collection of "hoop artists" here.

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Theme, English 2

A Hot Afternoon

It is a drowsy afternoon. The sun is glaring and blisteringly hot. The flowers, leaves, boughs and grass seem to wilt and dry up under the burning sun. There isn't a breath of air stirring. Looking toward the horizon, I see the quivering hot waves.

The little house under the trees is very quiet. There is no sign of people about the place, only a black and white cat curled up on a cushion in the porch swing and a little white dog snapping at flies and watching a little humming bird get food from the blooms of the vines. The doors and windows are open, but that is all.

But now is heard the heat of a horse's hoofs and a little girl of perhaps ten or twelve years gallops through the gate on her pony. She jumps off and pats the little dog, who has come out to greet her. Then she leads the pony to the watering tank and leaves it there for a boy, probably her brother, to take care of. He meets her at the well, speaks to her, pinches her flushed cheek and passes on.

She laughs, gets her a cold drink and walks toward the house, taking her book sachel slung on her shoulder.

The boy unsaddles the pony and turns it into the meadow. Then he goes back into the house, with the dog following him to the porch. The dog lies down on the steps and drowsily looks around.

Then everything is as hot and still as before. Ethel Wasson.

Evening on the Farm

Down through the green field come the harvest hands' home. Tired are the clumsy horses, with their rattling harness. Slowly, inch by inch, the sun, like a red rose, drops into the west. Birds fly homeward for their night's rest. Cows, with jingling bells come bawling home. The grunting swine come scrambling through the weeds. When all are fed, silence and darkness reigns o'er the farm. Slyly, like a night watchman, the round-faced moon peeps o'er the horizon.

Ella Mae Jackson,
Eighth Grade.

O'er one hundred and fifty students attended the taffy pull held in the gym Saturday night. While pulling taffy was the chief diversion, dancing took up the latter part of the evening. It is reported that the taffy was made on the basis of, pull your own, thus insuring the lazy ones against any possible overeating.

Seniors Busy

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