

Winnetka School Problems

The following questions concerning school problems were received last week, and are answered by Superintendent Washburne:

Q.—Is it true that there was a pupils' strike at the Skokie school in October?

A.—I am glad this question has been asked, since a good deal of exaggerated rumor has gone around in regard to the so-called "strike". The exact facts are these:

On the morning of October 13 when the bell rang for the opening of school at Skokie a group of upper-grade children remained outside and said they were on strike for a holiday, since other schools were closed and banks were closed. Miss Glenna Griffith, principal of the school, told the children to come inside and discuss the matter. They did. She pointed out to them the dangers of radical agitation in labor unions, and showed them that they must stand for a higher type of citizenship. She suggested a petition to the Superintendent of Schools as the proper and orderly way to obtain anything that was right. The children got up such petition and elected delegates to present it to me. When they came I called their attention to the fact that none of the other schools along the north shore were having a holiday; that Columbus Day was not a legal school holiday, and that neither Miss Griffith nor I had it in our power to decree an extra holiday, this being a function of the Board of Education. I likewise read to them the compulsory attendance section of the school law, showing them that they subjected their parents to fine if they remained out of school while school was in session, and submitted themselves to arrest by the truant officer. As an appreciation, however, of the fact that they had abandoned their first idea of striking, and had chosen a more proper form of procedure. I offered to dismiss school an hour early that afternoon. I sent a letter to this effect back to the Skokie children by their delegates, and there was general satisfaction on all sides. Miss Griffith, as teacher of history and civics as well as principal, made use of these events and spent most of the morning in discussion of the civic issues involved. She gave the children a great deal of freedom in their discussion and the morning was not one of the usual orderly classroom procedure. It was, however, rich in educational value to the children. I consider Miss Griffith's handling of the situation unusually successful.

Q.—Are the children who take domestic science really learning anything, or are they just cooking lunches for the teachers and other children?

A.—There is a very fully worked out course of study in the domestic science department. There is a certain group of things which every pupil must learn to make well, and a certain group of facts concerning foods and cooking which every pupil must know. The ideal way to teach this ability and these facts is to give the children real problems in cooking, cooking in quantities large enough to be applicable to the home, and cooking for other people to eat. The main purpose of the school lunches served in the domestic science room is their educational value for those who are doing the cooking. They are an incidental usefulness in providing hot meals at noon for those children who cannot go home at noon and for a few of the teachers who stay through the noon period. The planning of the meals, the buying of the food, the cooking, serving, and clearing up, are all of them part of the training of the children. Unless domestic science in elementary schools is distinctly practical and really trains the girls to handle practical household problems, it fails, to serve its purpose.

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Proclamation

By the President of the United States of America

Whereas, by the Act of Congress approved March 3, 1919, the Fourteenth Decennial Census of the United States is to be taken beginning on the second day of January, 1920; and Whereas, a correct enumeration of the population every ten years is required by the Constitution of the United States for the purpose of determining the representation of the several states in the House of Representatives; and

Whereas, it is of the utmost importance to the interests of all the people of the United States that this Census should be a complete and accurate report of the population and resources of the nation;

Now, therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States of America, do hereby declare and make known that, under the law aforesaid, it is the duty of every person to answer all questions on the census schedule applying to him and the family to which he belongs, and to the farm occupied by him or his family, and that any person refusing to do so is subject to penalty.

The sole purpose of the Census is to secure general statistical information regarding the population and resources of the country and replies are required from individuals only to permit the compilation of such general statistics. No person can be harmed in any way by furnishing the information, required. The Census has nothing to do with taxation, with military or jury service, with the compulsion of school attendance, with the regulation of immigration or with the enforcement of any national, state or local law or ordinance. There need be no fear that any disclosure will be made regarding any individual person or his affairs. For the due protection of the rights and interests of the persons furnishing information every employe of the Census Bureau is prohibited, under heavy penalty, from disclosing any information which may thus come to his knowledge.

I therefore earnestly urge upon all persons to answer promptly, completely and accurately all inquiries addressed to them by the enumerators or other employes of the Census Bureau and thereby to contribute their share toward making this great and necessary public undertaking a success.

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done in the District of Columbia this tenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and forty-fourth.

Woodrow Wilson.

By the President:
William Phillips,
Acting Secretary of State.

MAY OPEN ORIENTAL TEA ROOM NEXT WEEK

An oriental tea room will be opened by the North Shore Hotel, Evanston, probably late next week. It will have oriental fittings, furnishings, hangings, and rugs, and will be like the tea rooms of large, continental hotels. Tea will be served all afternoon, and an excellent service will be maintained, according to R. F. Brown, a clerk in the hotel.

Particular attention, he said, will be given to women, as the tea room will be provided largely as a place to which they can take their guests. It is getting to be quite an established custom on the north shore to serve afternoon tea, said Mr. Brown.

The hotel has had a long, low, narrow structure, with many windows, built adjoining it on the north. It is this structure which is to be made into a tea room. It is expected that late arrival of the furnishings may not allow them to be placed until the latter part of next week.

BUY + CHRISTMAS SEALS

WILMETTE MAN SERIOUSLY INJURED IN AUTO CRASH

George Slocum, 921 Tenth Street in Oak Park Hospital Following Machine Collision

George Slocum, 921 Tenth street, is in the Oak Park hospital in a serious condition as the result of an automobile collision Monday afternoon in Oak Park.

Slocum, accompanied by his sister, Mrs. Nellie Pothoff of Oak Park, was driving a Franklin Coupe in Randolph street, Oak Park, Monday afternoon. At the intersection of Randolph street and Euclid avenue the Slocum machine was struck broadside by a machine driven by a mechanic in the employ of the Village of Oak Park, who was driving at a high rate of speed. The Slocum machine was demolished and both occupants hurled into the street.

Slocum was unconscious at the Oak Park hospital for 24 hours. Attending physicians discovered his left arm had been broken in six places and the elbow shattered. He also suffered a serious cut about the right eye which may necessitate removal of the member.

Mrs. Pothoff suffered two broken ribs and painful cuts about the face and hands.

The mechanics were uninjured, according to the police report.

DR. MAGILL DISCUSSES WAVE OF SPIRITUALISM

In view of the great interest aroused by the sermon of Dr. George P. Magill on Sunday at the Wilmette Presbyterian church, the pastor has consented to continue the discussion on Sunday morning, December 14.

The subject is: "The Relation of Present Day Conditions to Spiritualism and Real Religion. What will be the outcome?" Judging from the accounts in the daily press and numerous magazine articles this is a most timely discussion. Many residents of the Village will be glad to hear the argument and conclusions.

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- Monticello No. 2 can Pork and Beans . . . 10c
- Hunt Supreme Grated Pineapple, No. 1 can 15c
- California State Brand Asparagus, quality guaranteed, can 25c
- Kipperd Herring, can 30c
- Richelieu Salmon, flat, 1 lb. can 45c; ½ lb. can for 28c
- Richelieu Salmon, tall can 40c
- Bingo Salmon, can 38c
- California Ripe Olives, small 5 oz. can . . 10c
- Monsoon Beans, Wax or Green, can . . . 18c
- Richelieu Small Beets, can 23c
- Monsoon Pumpkin, regular 20c can for . . 15c
- Patsy Muscat Grapes, No. 1 can for . . . 20c
- Beverly Apricots, No. 2½ can 45c

PEAS—

- Monsoon Sweet Wrinkled 20c
- Cherub Sifted, can 25c
- Boulevard Brand 25c
- Richelieu Early June 25c
- Monsoon 22c

PEARS—

- Colton Bartlett, No. 2½ can 45c
- Eagle Brand Bartlett, No. 2½ can 45c
- Everett Bartlett, No. 2½ can 45c
- Patsy, No. 1 can, flat 20c
- Del Monte Bartlett Pears, No. 2 can . . . 37c

CORN—

- Richelieu, can 25c
- Genesee, 2 cans for 35c
- Junior Brand, special, dozen for \$2.00

PEACHES—

- Calpac Yellow Cling, can 42c
- Beverly Free, can 45c

COFFEES—

- Richelieu, pound 55c
- Chase & Sanborn, pound 55c
- Richelieu Midas brand, special 47c
- Manor House, pound 55c
- Old Colony, extra fine quality 47c
- Our best bulk coffee, try it, pound . . . 42c

SOAP—

- Classic, 10 bars for 65c
- Lenox, 10 bars for 49c
- Wool Soap, 5 bars for 40c

FOR BAKING—

- Mazola, Wesson or Douglas Oil, pint for 40c
- quart 75c
- Crisco, pound can 38c; ½ lb. can 55c
- Lard, pound 32c
- Rumford Baking Powder, 1 lb. can . . . 25c
- Snowdrift, can 35c

MISCELLANEOUS—

- Extra Fine California Figs, lb. 40c
- Prunes, 60-70 size, lb. 25c
- 50-60 size 28c
- Richelieu Extra Large Prunes, lb. . . . 35c
- Mixed Nuts, lb. 40c
- St. Croix Brand Maple Syrup, 1 pint 5 oz. can 48c
- Spratt's Dog Cakes, pkg. 35c
- Pure Richelieu Apple Cider ½ gallon . . 60c
- gallon \$1.15
- Brooms 75c
- Jello, 2 for 25c
- Log Cabin Syrup, small can 32c
- large can 65c
- Fancy Jonathan Apples, box \$4.00
- Cheese, pound 45c
- Dates, reg. price 60c, pound 40c
- Figs, pound 30c
- Rice, pound 15c
- Prunes, large 35c; medium, lb. 28c
- 5 lb. Stone Crock Pure Strawberry or Raspberry Jam, \$2.25; 3 lbs. for \$1.35
- Best Christmas Trees 50c, to \$2.00

CEREALS—

- Quaker Oats, 3½ lb. pkg. 32c; small pkg. 14c
- Armour's Oats, 2 for 25c; large pkg. for 30c
- Corn Flakes, Kellogg's or Armour's, 2 for 25c
- Puffed Wheat, 14c; 2 for 27c
- Puffed Rice, 16c
- Quaker Cracked Wheat 23c; 2 for 45c
- Grape Nuts 15c
- Richelieu White Corn Meal, pkg. . . . 14c
- Quaker Yellow Corn Meal 14c
- Ralston Wheat Food, pkg. 15c
- Old Fashioned Scotch Brand Oatmeal . . 20c

FLOURS—

- Gold Medal, Ceresota, Richelieu, ½ barrel \$1.90
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