

# TEACHERS GATHER FOR CONVENTION

Nearly Two Thousand Educators In the City for Annual Gathering.

## NOTED SPEAKERS ON PROGRAM

Dr. Suzzalo, Dr. Balliet and Ada Van Stone Harris to be Present and Deliver Addresses.

Between 1,500 and 2,000 teachers were in their seats in the assembly hall when President Frank M. Briggs called to order the State Convention of the Teachers' association at 3 o'clock this afternoon. They had been gathered in from all parts of Utah and some from Idaho and other surrounding states since yesterday morning, in order to be present at the opening session of the convention. President Briggs was on hand yesterday preparing for the affair, and he was busily engaged all the morning in winding up the final details of arrangement.

At 3 o'clock this morning a meeting of the executive committee was held at the Kenyon hotel, where headquarters of the teachers' association has been established, which was attended by President Briggs, Secretary Max W. Woodbury, and the other officers of the association.

It had been expected that Dr. Henry Suzzalo of Columbia University, Dr. Thomas M. Balliet, dean of the school of pedagogy of the University of New York, and Miss Ada Van Stone Harris, assistant superintendent of the public schools of Rochester, N. Y., who are scheduled to deliver addresses during the sessions of the convention, would arrive in Salt Lake Sunday and the latest report was to the effect that the noted educators would arrive in Ogden at 11 o'clock this morning, reaching Salt Lake City about 12:30.

President Briggs, president of the association, is enthusiastic over the prospects for a most successful convention, the sessions of which will continue until Wednesday afternoon. "I look for the best convention here in the state," said President Briggs, this morning. "The eastern educators who will deliver lectures before the teachers are among the most advanced exponents of the modern system of mental and physical development, and their lectures will be attentively followed by the assembled teachers. Dr. Suzzalo has been in Utah before, having addressed the teachers at Ogden two years ago. For several months past he has been lecturing throughout Europe, and he is a man of wide learning along the lines of educational sociology. Dr. Balliet is equally noted as a modern educator. He is dean of the school of pedagogy of the New York university, and he will speak several times during the convention. He is an expert in the line of special education, and his addresses will be listened to with great interest. The work of every department will be covered by competent professors, and the discussions will be conducted so that all may receive the greatest benefit."

## DANCING ON THE PROGRAM

After the general session at the Assembly hall this evening, the visiting teachers will be the guests of the Salt Lake teachers at a reception at Ogden hall. There will be dancing and refreshments and an enjoyable occasion is anticipated by all the visiting and local teachers. Admission to the reception will be by badge.

After the departmental work on Tuesday there will be a physical educational demonstration, in which a class of deaf pupils and a class of blind pupils from the state school at Ogden will participate. There will also be demonstrations of the primary and grammar grades, games for high school boys, etc., which will be of general interest.

The public is cordially invited to attend all sessions of the convention. There will be a general session this evening and Tuesday morning in the Assembly hall, and again Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning at the same place. The other sessions will be departmental and will be held in various rooms at the high school, at which the public will also be welcomed.

This evening at 8 o'clock the following program will be given in the Assembly hall:

Invocation, Prest. Nephi L. Morris, Music, The Imperial quartet. Lecture, "The Training for Vocations," by Dr. Suzzalo. Music, The Imperial quartet. Our guests: Miss Ada Van Stone Harris, assistant superintendent of schools of Rochester, N. Y.; Dr. Thomas M. Balliet, dean of the School of Pedagogy, New York university; Dr. Henry Suzzalo, Teachers' college, Columbia university. 9:30 p. m. Reception at Ogden by the teachers of Salt Lake City.

## TODAY'S SESSION

After President Briggs had called the session to order, investigation was offered by Rev. P. A. Simpkins.

## PRESIDENT DRIGGS' ADDRESS

Taking as his subject, "Movements in Education," President F. M. Briggs said: There are a number of important movements going on in the educational world that are bound gradually to change the complexion of the public school system of today. These movements are exceedingly complex, and are both the best thinkers and educators of the country. All of the leading magazines are full of articles dealing with various phases of these questions. Every educational gathering is devoting much time to papers and discussions looking toward the solution of these problems. Though these movements are complex and manifold in their interests, we can agree that their final solution will give us a greatly changed school system.

I venture to predict that the school of tomorrow will aim more at the real, and the practical, and that it will give more and more the kind of training that fits for life, and thus promote the welfare of the child by enhancing his chances of becoming a more productive citizen with a greater interest and influence in the life of his community.

One of these movements with which the country is concerned is the demand for more efficient and better trained teachers. We are coming more fully to realize that the teachers who beat direct and inspire these little men and women who are to be the citizens of tomorrow, are those who are well trained. There is a growing need for strong, well educated, and expert teachers who love children, teachers, too, who are proud of their profession; teachers whose ideals lead constantly upward and upward, scholarly optimists, teachers who command salaries commensurate with their qualifications,

# SCENES AT LAUNCHING OF BATTLESHIP UTAH.



BATTLESHIP UTAH IMMEDIATELY AFTER SHE LEFT THE WAYS THURSDAY, DEC. 23, AT 11 A. M.

## YOUNG LAWYERS COME TO FRONT

County Attorney Selects Two Utah Products as His Deputies.

## TO EDIT COUNTY ORDINANCES

John Jensen and Daniel Alexander Confirmed Today by County Commissioners for Important Service.

The appointment of Daniel Alexander and John Jensen by County Attorney Lyon to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Aaron Myers in his office was ratified by the county commissioners today. These appointments are to become effective on the first of the year.

Another great change that is creeping into our educational system concerns school organization and management. The school of tomorrow will have more beautiful surroundings, smaller classes, better classification and higher priced teachers. The complexity of the system calls for more expert supervision in order that the work of the untrained teacher may be directed and made more effective, that the various subjects may be well presented, and the work be well presented, and the work be well presented.

There will be closer study of the individual, more attention to every child's needs. Frequent tests and examinations will be made, not only for more proper grading and classification, but for those physical defects that so often retard the progress of the boy or put him out of gear. Few of us realize how many of our pupils appear dull because of defective hearing, or slight, adenoid growths and the like, which will be of general interest.

There will be a much nearer relation between the home and the school, because of these investigations, through visits to the home, parents' meetings and parents' classes. Knowing more of his life by this co-operation of the teacher and the parent, the child shall be better able to direct the child. Here, however, let me sound a note of warning. Great care must be exercised that there be not too much supervision. Our boys and girls must not lose their individuality and become mere human machines required to follow the beaten paths of those in the grades above. Our teachers, too, must be given some latitude or their personal life will leave no valuable impression upon the children. Are there not many ungraded, untrained teachers with strong individuality that greatly influenced and inspired them to work out their own salvation?

The thing outside the school that influences child life is leading to the establishment of school gardens, public playgrounds, public baths, libraries and gymnasiums. This same study and investigation is also showing the urgent need of a greater love for justice, a deeper respect for labor, more careful and systematic physical education, as well as the wisdom of more industrial training for both boys and girls.

I am especially pleased to note the great growth of the library-gymnasium movement in our own state, and the recent laudable prayer for public playgrounds for the children of Salt Lake City. These are important and necessary guide-posts to a higher civilization and ought to receive the loyal support of every member of this association and every progressive citizen. I am strongly of the opinion that no community can afford to sacrifice its youth to the establishment and maintenance of public playgrounds, libraries and gymnasiums. Let us go on with this convention as heartily in favor of the expenditure of public funds for purposes like these."

There is an urgent and almost pathetic appeal throughout America for more responsible citizenship; citizenship that portrays a willingness on the part of an individual to assume and properly bear responsibility. Herein the teacher has an opportunity to help the pupil. Every teacher who is firm, patient and sympathetic may teach his pupils to reverence truth and hold themselves accountable for their own acts. Who can doubt the value to the grown man or woman of such lessons?

The boys and girls who are in a school where such sentiment prevails will surely develop into better men and women than they otherwise might. Mr. Jensen, while at the University of Utah, was editor of the college paper, student manager of athletics and a member of the Utah team which defeated the University of Colorado in debate. Last June he was graduated from the law department of the George Washington university "with distinction." He also won the "infant" prize debate, the Edward Thompson company prize for the best essay on a legal subject and was president of the Needham Debating society.

## BUB WEARS THE "C"

Freshman Son of Captain Joe Very Proud of His Sweater.

## FROM MAINE TO PENNSYLVANIA LOCAL TRAFFIC IS TIED UP AND SERVICE DISARRANGED.

Many Lives Were Also Lost

In New York and Vicinity Eighteen Persons Perished—No Street Car Service in Philadelphia.

New York, Dec. 27.—The Christmas blizzard, the severest storm experienced in the east in 20 years, tied up local traffic this morning in cities from Pennsylvania to Maine and disarranged train schedules throughout half a dozen states.

Conditions, however, are rapidly improving, and railroads and municipalities are today bending every effort to move inter-city and local traffic. There is reason to believe conditions will be normal again by Tuesday night, when another storm is expected from the west.

A number of persons have perished through exposure or accident, five in Philadelphia and 18 in New York and vicinity. The final reports of the fatalities in New England have not come to hand.

In Philadelphia general business this morning was practically at a standstill. All through trains were late, only one street car line was running, and the city is suffering from a shortage of milk.

Washington did not suffer severely, but communication with Boston is maintained only with difficulty. The storm in New England seems to have been worse in the vicinity of New Bedford, Providence, Fall River, Newport, Pawtucket and Woonsocket.

In New York city, 7,000 men are at work cleaning the streets. Eighteen persons in and near New York perished in the Christmas storm or from accidents caused by it. Six died from exposure after being caught in snowdrifts. Others were drowned and several were killed by trains.

Today New York was rapidly digging itself from the cover of the 10 inches snowfall. By afternoon traffic conditions approached normal as a result of the labor of nearly 10,000 men in the employ of the city and the traction lines, while steam railroad conditions also were rapidly improving. Wire communication which was badly interrupted during the worst of the blow was again fairly good today except to New England points. Blockades on railroads created a shortage of food supplies and a consequent increase in prices, which contributed to the hardships of the poor. Shipping felt the storm's effect seriously. While no heavy loss is reported from any one wreck many small craft suffered damage, dragging their anchors and being driven ashore. The wrecking of the freight steamer Thurman, off Tom's river, N. J., and the sinking of the schooner Mary Ann Kirby in Long Island sound were the worst wrecks, but neither was attended with loss of life.

## EFFORTS TO END STRIKE OF SWITCHMEN FAIL

St. Paul, Dec. 27.—All the efforts of Gov. Elbert to end the strike have apparently failed because of a refusal of the railroad officials to agree at once to reinstate the strikers.

The final disagreement came today when St. Paul Vice President Slade of the Northern Pacific and J. M. Gruber, general manager of the Great Northern, handed the governor a communication declining their willingness to submit the dispute to the Chicago conference but that they could not agree to reinstate the men to their old positions at once, but would take them back when there were vacancies. The railways have given the men until Wednesday to accept their offer.

President Hawley of the Switchmen's union has said all along that he would insist on the men being taken back at once.

After Messrs. Slade and Gruber left the governor's office the federation committee had a conference with the governor during which they explained more fully their position and made the assertion that it was a fight through out the country by the American Railway association on the railway organizations embraced in the American Federation of Labor.

Washington, Dec. 27.—It was announced at the White House today that Seth Bullock, U. S. marshal for South Dakota, is to be reappointed for another four years from Jan. 23 next. Bullock has been known as the close personal friend of Theodore Roosevelt, and his reappointment is said to be both a recognition of what he has done as well as a compliment to the former president.

COL. J. GORDON SUCCEEDS LATE SENATOR McLAURIN

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 27.—Gov. Noel today announced the appointment of Col. James Gordon of Okolona, as United States senator from Mississippi to succeed the late Senator A. J. McLaurin.

The appointment is temporary until the legislature can elect a senator for the unexpired term and is made with the understanding that Senator Gordon will not be a candidate for another term.

LIGHTHOUSE BURNED.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 27.—Thimble shoal lighthouse, in lower Chesapeake bay, was burned today. The keeper and his family are believed to have escaped in life-boats and taken refuge on one of several tug or relief boats that hurried from Hampton Roads to the rescue. One of the scout cruisers lying in Hampton Roads sent a relief crew to the scene and the steamer Hampton, en route from Norfolk to Mathews, laid by for some time. Thimble light marked the shoals approaching Old Point Comfort and was a guide to all Chesapeake bay steamers.

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While incoming trans-Atlantic liners report hard weather none seems to have been badly delayed. PHILADELPHIA STILL IN BLIZZARD'S GRIP

Philadelphia, Dec. 27.—Philadelphia is still in the grip of the "blizzard" which descended upon this section of the country Christmas day. Business is tied up worse than it has been in many years and the prospects are that it will be several days before conditions become normal. Railroad traffic and street car service is still in bad shape.

## AT GLOUCESTER

Gloucester, Mass., Dec. 27.—This city suffered severely in yesterday's storm. It is estimated the damage will be \$150,000. Much apprehension is felt for the safety of the Gloucester fishing fleet, which is off shore when the storm began and had not been heard from up to daybreak.

## TRAINS BEGIN TO MOVE

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 27.—After a night of the greatest activity on the part of the railroad officials trains east and west were moving slowly today. Although a light snow continued to fall and the roads were badly congested with rolling stock, through trains were struggling into the Union station here from 30 minutes to 8 hours late.

Branch lines throughout this district were out of commission. All efforts of the officials were directed towards opening up through facilities, the branch lines being temporarily abandoned.

FIFTEEN MEN LOST THEIR LIVES IN NEW ENGLAND

Boston, Dec. 27.—Up to noon 15 lives were known to have been lost in New England by yesterday's storm, three in Chelsea, Everett and 12 through the wrecking of the five-masted schooner Davis Palmer off Boston harbor.

The loss of the Davis Palmer with all on board, was the first of the fatal marine accidents to be reported. Wreckage from the vessel was picked up on the beach at Hull.

OWL TRAIN WRECKED ON SOUTHERN PACIFIC

Tracey, Cal., Dec. 27.—The north-bound owl train from Los Angeles to San Francisco on the Southern Pacific was wrecked at Hally, a small station four miles from here today. Three sleeping cars left the track and two of them were overturned. The passengers in the overturned cars were rescued through the windows but none of them was injured. According to a report made by the train crew the wreck was caused by a broken rail. The wrecked cars were replaced by chair cars secured here and the train proceeded after a short delay.

STORM CAUSES PRESIDENT TO CANCEL ENGAGEMENT

Washington, Dec. 27.—On account of uncertain traffic conditions, due to the storm, President Taft has cancelled his engagement to dine tonight in New York City with Andrew Carnegie and to speak before the American Historical association in Carnegie hall.

ZELAYA ARRIVES AT SALINA CRUZ

Salina Cruz, Mex., Dec. 27.—The Mexican gunboat General Guerrero, having on board ex-President Zelaya of Nicaragua, who fled from Managua by way of Corinto, on Christmas eve, docked here at 8 o'clock this morning.

# FOR WHOM ARE RESOURCES?

Shall They be Conserved for the Benefit of the Many or for The Profit of the Few?

## GREAT CONFLICT IS NOW ON.

People of United States Have Been Complacent Victims of Plunder, Says Gifford Pinchot.

New York, Dec. 27.—Gifford Pinchot, chief forester of the United States, declared in a speech here today before a number of prominent publishers at the University club, that special interests had made repeated attacks on the United States forest service and these attacks had increased in violence just in proportion as the service had offered effective opposition to predatory wealth.

## PINCHOT'S SPEECH

Mr. Pinchot said: "The American people evidently have made up their minds that our natural resources must be conserved. That is good, but it settles only half the question. For whose benefit shall they be conserved—for the benefit of the many, or for the use and profit of the few? The great conflict now being fought will decide. There is no other question before us that begins to be so important, or that will be so difficult to straddle, as the great question between special interest and equal opportunity; the interests of the few and the many; the government of men for human welfare and government by money for profit, between the men who stand for the Roosevelt policies and the men who stand against them. This is the essence of the conservation problem today.

"I believe in one form of government and I believe in the golden rule. But we must face the truth that monopoly of the sources of production makes it impossible for vast numbers of men and women to earn their living. Right here the conservation question touches the daily life of the great body of our people, who pay the price in heavy taxes that may be the chance to save boys from the saloons and the corner gang and girls from the streets and make good citizens of them instead of bad.

## PEOPLE ARE PLUNDERED.

"The people of the United States have been the complacent victims of a system of plunder often perpetrated by men who would have been surprised beyond measure to be accused of wrong doing and many of them who in their private lives were model citizens. But they have suffered from a curious moral perversion by which it becomes more worthy to do for a corporation things which they would refuse with the leftiest scorn to do for themselves. Fortunately for us all that delusion is passing rapidly.

"It is the honorable distinction of the forest service that it has been more constantly, more violently, and more bitterly attacked by representatives of the special interests in recent years than any other government bureau. These attacks have increased in violence and bitterness just in proportion as the service has offered effective opposition to predatory wealth. The more successfully the service has prevented land grabbing, and the absorption of water power by the special interests, the more ingenious, the more devoted and the more dangerous these attacks have been becoming. A favorite one is to assert that the forest service, in its zeal for the public welfare, has played ducks and drakes with the acts of Congress.

"The fact is the service has had warrant of law for everything it has done. Not once since it was created has any charge of illegality, despite the most searching investigation and the bitterest attack ever led to reversal or reproof by any congressional committee. "Since the forest service called public attention to the rapid absorption of the land by special interests, the growth of a great power monopoly, attacks upon it have increased with marked rapidity. I anticipate that they will continue to do so. Still, greater opposition is promised in the near future. There is only one protection—an awakened public opinion. That is why I give you the facts.

## TWO CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH

Loveland, O., Dec. 27.—Fire today destroyed the home of L. Sonneck and caused the death of Rose and Paul Sonneck, aged 8 and 5 years. Stanley Lever and Cliff Lattimer, professional ball players, who were the children, but were driven from the house by the flames.

## OFFERS TO FLY FROM PORTLAND TO LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 27.—In a communication received today by the committee in charge of the events of aviation week—Jan. 10 to 20 in this city, E. P. Preble of Portland, Or., makes a novel offer.

To demonstrate the success of a new aircraft which has been constructed on the lines of his own invention, Preble guarantees to fly from Portland to Los Angeles in time to take part in the aviation events. Any financial considerations involved are to be based on the success of this undertaking.

The Preble aircraft is a cigar-shaped affair, built something on the model of the Zeppelin, but its constructor claims it to be far superior to the German craft.

## CAR JUMPS TRACK, MAN CRUSHED TO DEATH

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 27.—One man was crushed to death; a boy was seriously injured, and a score of passengers were less seriously hurt when an interurban car on the Detroit United railway jumped the track last night four miles north of the village of Wayne.