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BOYS ARE BETTER AND GIRLS WORSE

Delinquency Figures of the Children’s Court Show Unexpected Changes

Amid all the convincing hue and cry about the increasing criminality of the very young, Dr. J. B. Mailer of Teachers College, Columbia University, has taken the trouble to find out the facts. His survey of the records of thirty years of the Children’s Court of New York City goes to show that, however bad modern boys and girls may be, they were apparently twice as unruly in “the good old days.” Believe it or not, in the face of the doubling of New York City’s population in the interval, juvenile delinquents have actually decreased from 84,997 in the decade from 1902 to 1911 to 64,968 in that just closed. In other words we have but 5.9 delinquents for every 1,000 children of court age today, as against 12.1 twenty years ago.

Apparently increased prosperity was not a chief factor in the reform, for, as Dr. Mailer points out, there were actually fewer delinquents last year than in the golden days of 1929. Rather he attributes it to the better adjustment of the foreign born to conditions in this country and an increase in social tolerance toward the bad boy also, he believes, without playing their part.

But in spite of the vast general decrease, one fact remains to substantiate the jeremiads of our moralists. Woman in delinquency, as in other matters, has been making strides toward equality. Whereas in the first decade of the Children’s Court the ratio of boy offenders to girls was 60 to 1, in the past decade it dropped to 8 to 1. This, likewise, Dr. Mailer believes, may be partially accounted for by the change in social standards.—N. Y. Times.

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Supt. F. J. Prout Speaks

First chapel service of the summer term found the superintendent of the Sandusky schools speaking lucidly and humorously on an interesting subject, “Our Changing Education.” Personality and thoroughness, are, with a consuming interest in one’s work, is necessary to success in teaching, he said.

Our changing economic and political life induces the changes in the educational world. The greatest problem facing teachers today, he continued, is training for proper use of leisure.

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Reception Dance

The faculty social committee sponsored a reception dance for the students attending the summer session last Wednesday evening in the Men’s Gymnasium. About 200 students and faculty members attended the informal affair. Music was furnished by Lake’s Orchestra. The committee on arrangements consisted of the Misses Louise McMahon, Dora Doyle and Esther Ross and the Messrs. William Miller, Steven Madaras and Roy Crites.

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P. E. DEPT. OFFERS TENNIS SUGGESTIONS

The Tennis courts are now in better shape than they have ever been and with the cooperation of all players they can be kept in good condition.

The following regulations are standard:

1. Do not get on the courts when they are wet.
2. Wear tennis shoes. There seems to be a mistaken idea that any shoes with rubber heels will do. It is impossible to keep court smooth if players get on them with any sort of a heeled shoe. Please report any violations to the Physical Education department.

There are certain courtesies of the court which are commonly observed in Tennis.

1. When others are waiting to play, finish the set, then give the others a turn. If playing singles, double up with others. That is, if the courts are crowded and in demand—be reasonable.
2. When a ball from a neighboring court rolls into your territory, return it. When your ball does likewise—the common request is to call out “Thank You”, which indicates that you would like to have your ball returned.
3. Since the courts are used by both men and women, men should not play in shorts only, as has sometimes occurred.

The courts are for the students of the college. Do not bring outsiders in to play on them. Also college students should not play on the High School courts or any other courts in town without securing permission.

Court No. 1 (next the gymnasium) is reserved for faculty from 4 to 6 daily.

Physical Education classes will use some or all the courts every day from 2 to 4. Others are requested to leave when classes appear.

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Unexpected Number Enroll for Summer

846 Register for Present Term; 45 Scheduled for Practice in Toledo

Monday, June 13, was another busy day for the registrar and his assistants at Bowling Green State College. Long lines of prospective students from divers places in northwestern Ohio streamed into the Chapel Hall, procured numbers, filled out blanks and then proceeded to the Women’s Gym where classes were scheduled. How many hot, tired faces were wreathed in smiles when, finally, through the patience of some good faculty advisor conflicting classes were straightened out and the correct number of credits secured. The animated figure of one white-haired gentleman was continually surrounded by groups of perplexed students, but through this individual’s tactful ingenuity harrassing difficulties were finally overcome.

Latest news from the registrar’s office states that 846 men and women were enrolled, including 45 scheduled for practice teaching in Toledo. This number, it true, is about 100 short of the enrollment for the first summer term in 1931. But when one takes into consideration the fact that many teachers have been rehired at a 10 to 33 1/3 per cent reduction in salary, this lower registration can easily be explained.

From all indications, however, it seems to be a wise act for these hundreds to come to further their standing toward a degree or diploma in order to better prepare themselves for the position they now have or later hope to have. In the near future requirements of boards of education will demand teachers whose professional training is thorough, intensive, and rich in the subjects they wish to teach. Our motto must be “Prepare for every exigency”.

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One has only to read “Tess of the d’Urbervilles” to understand how fond the English are of “skellingtons.” But it must have come as a surprise to many to read that Jeremy Bentham had willed his own skeleton to a London learned society, so that it might be present at its annual meetings, as it was one day last week. Perhaps the weather was so hot as to recall the wish of fat Sydney Smith that he might take off his flesh and sit in his bones. At all events, the grisly visitant took no part in the discussion, which he would have monopolized had he been there alive. And no one at the meeting was moved, as Longfellows was at sight of the “Skeleton in Armor,” to cry out, “Speak! speak! thou fearful guest!”
EDITORIAL

It behooves teachers as people in the public eye to exert themselves extraordinarily in maintaining the "moral" of their communities. We have examples thrust upon us from every quarter of the possibilities in the teaching profession for real leadership; and we are convinced that one of the most needed general traits at the present time is intelligent optimism. We are all ready and willing to lend ourselves for the good of the community: let's be good citizens in the best meaning of that term.

NOT A YANKEE TRICK

On the Continent the transaction of a piece of business is commonly something of a rite. You go and call on a man, possibly presenting a letter of introduction. Then you pass the time for a while with polite conversation. It may not be until the second or third visit that you get down to the subject in hand, which then enters the slow stage of negotiation.

Americans are proud of the way in which they are accustomed to cut such preludes short. They like to make their business dealings snappy—sometimes too snappy. They have invented all sorts of labor-saving devices, even applicable to big executives, whose time is supposed to be precious. But it was left to a Continental to devise the latest expedient for cutting visitors off.

Auditors exploring the tangle of Ivar Kreuger's affairs discovered a telephone of his that was not connected with any outside operator. Instead, there was a button, almost flush with the desk, the slightest pressure on which caused the telephone to ring.

Mr. Kreuger never had to shuffle the papers on his desk or stand up or employ a secretary who knew when an interruption would be discreet. If he wished to get rid of a visitor who was overstaying his welcome, all he had to do was to push a book over the button and interrupt himself.

In Order to:

Be able to understand the supernatural, we must thoroughly know the natural.

Grow mentally, physically, and socially, we must set a definite aim, then indulge therein.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

SOCIAL COMMITTEE PLANS PICNIC

Next week the Social Committee offers as the second feature on its social calendar a picnic at Otsego Park on the Maumee river Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock. Students who attend must secure a picnic ticket by presenting their activities ticket to Mrs. Sharp before Tuesday noon. Only those who present such ticket at the picnic grounds can be served refreshments.

Those who desire transportation accommodations, should sign up for same before noon Tuesday. A fee of fifteen cents will be charged to cover the cost.

The college entrance examinations, for all new students who have no record of having taken it with a satisfactory score on file in the Dean's office, will be given in Room 210A on Saturday morning, June 25, at 9 o'clock.

—Dean Hissong

SOCIAL CALENDAR

June 24—Picnic.
June 30—Tea Dance.
July 8—Picnic.
July 15—Tea Dance.

Baseball fans in this section of the country are being treated to some very spirited races in the two major leagues and in the American Association. As the paper goes to press we see that all eight teams in the National League are bunched within 7½ games; in the American League the teams in 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th positions are within 2 games of each other while in the American Association but 14 games separate the leading Minneapolis club from the last place St. Paul outfit.

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SPORT NOTES

Despite the convention in Chicago the enrollment didn't seem to suffer much; about 850 took the count—most of the faculty are in their usual places, teaching usual or unusual courses, as the case may be—some of the returned students who signed up for geography and geology courses were surprised to find the chair occupied by Dr. Neuman while Mr. Holt is on leave of absence—the three Burgetts are back this summer; like the Cox family—did you know that a basketball and football star from Defiance college is on the campus? We don't know his name but his initials are Paul Hargrove—a report comes in that Dr. Zaugg remarked in one of his classes about questions that made his hair stand on end—judging from the number of cars parked every day on the campus drives we'd estimate that the summer students are somewhat more prosperous than those of the regular term—quite an epidemic of mustaches is going the rounds, why not a beard or two?—Bob Seffer landed the coaching job at Rockford, Ohio—the dormitories aren't nearly full, even though the enrollment is large—custom was broken the other night when the reception dance was over at 11:00 rather than 11:30—Prof. Powers is planning a course in story-telling—Les Boyer was seen frowning—a sign in the Campus Store advertises "Orange Crush or Blood, 5 cents;" have you had your iron today?

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CAMPUS Gossip

In Order to:

Learn, get acquainted with the mechanics, technique, and methods of acquisition.
Be, let others see within you the best resemblance of a model.
Prosper, we must show a fair degree of prosperity.
Win, we must prepare for defeat. It is inevitable.
Teach, we must know Johnny's parents.
Excel, you must undergo a series of mental dismantelings by your opponents, then reassemble yourself in hope that a few parts will remain to repair the weak spots.
Be early, revise on the action of the worm.
The early bird catches the worm. Be careful that you aren't the worm.
Save, we must set aside a definite percent of our earnings regardless of the initial sum.
Have a good reputation, we must first develop an excellent character.
Be wise, it is necessary to display in common manner, shape, or form, evidence of wisdom.
Have, it is not only necessary to strive for, but to get.
Realize success, we must obtain results within the sight of man.

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Jimmy Fox continues to set the pace for the home run hitters although Babe Ruth is very much within reach of Connie Mack's star first baseman.

It won't be long now before we will know if Sharkey will bring the world's heavyweight title back to the U. S. or not.
What I Am in Summer School For:

Give some of the spinsters their first enjoyment of life.—Sam Willeman.

Yes, Sir. Just to give the flaming damsels a thrill of their life.—Harold Cameron.

Just trying to get eligible for football.—"Willie" Clapp.

Nothing else to do but to attend school.—Orville Decker.

Just to pass time away.—Alverda Hanenkraft.

Hard work! —Helen Hastings.

To spend my time and my money.—Helen A. Marchky.

To see more and better faces.—Dudy Kridick.

To catch upon my sleep while in classes.—Robert James.

Be darned if I know.—W. Lackey.

Can't go home this summer, so might as well learn more about this part of the country.—Evelyn E. Pinardi.

To keep a Massachusetts product from being homesick.—Hope Conrad.

When one lacks five hours what else can she do?—"Ditter" Lathrop.

Lea Boyer: Your thumb is in my soup. Waiter: That's alright, sir; it's so used to the heat I hardly notice it.

Rastus to Elizah: May I have a kiss? Elizah: Cafeteria, cafeteria.

Political Dope

It is quite probable that if one hundred people were to write on their views concerning the 18th amendment to our Federal Constitution that the result would be one hundred answers of wide variation. However, the writer contends that, regardless of the stand each individual may take, all will agree that there are good arguments favoring repeal and good arguments on the opposite side of the question. Whether the question should be discussed or rather a definite stand on the question taken by either of the major political parties and written into the party platform is an entirely different subject for discussion. But the point we are trying to establish is this: since most of us agree that the question contains debatable material it behooves us as citizens to listen with open ears to arguments on both sides of the issue in order that we may be better equipped to make a valued decision when the proper times presents itself.

To anyone who "listened in" on the Republican Convention and heard this issue debated for two hours on last Wednesday evening it was quite evident that this principle was not practiced by those who favor a repeal of the Prohibition Amendment. The discourtesy displayed by the audience, especially in the balcony, bordered on cannibalism when several speakers were begging of the delegates to take a less radical stand than the one taken by the minority of the Resolutions committee.

This unsportsmanlike spirit has been in evidence on many occasions especially in the world of sport and appears to be typically American. It is not to be desired on any occasion but when it becomes manifested at a meeting such as the Republican convention where the policies of our country are being formulated for the next four years and during the critical times through which we are passing it seems that drastic measures should be taken to prevent a recurrence.

Mrs. Crites: Daddy, may I have some money?

Father: You have a husband, why don't you ask him?

Mrs. C.: Because I need the money.

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At five, Sara will jump at the gong, grab her hat from its place, and leaving by the employees entrance, walk the seven blocks to her home. Usually nothing happened on the way home, and Sara was conscious of nothing but her aching feet and her intense hatred for those artificial flowers.

As Sara stepped out onto the busy street, her hat in her hand, the hot wind blew her hair back and her face looked a bit more strained than usual, her eyes darker and more weary. As she approached the intersection of Main and Calhoun streets, her thoughts refused to reflect upon anything but the hated waxed flowers. In her heart there was that murderous, choking feeling, which comes when one is at the last of "his string."

Down the curb and out onto the street walked Sara saying to herself, "God, must I work with those mockeries of beautiful flowers, in that narrow aisle, all my life?" Just then, upon hearing a woman's harsh scream, Sara turned around. She had not time to see from where the sound had come. A shrill horn, an excruciating pain, and Sara fainted away on the pavement.

In ward seven of Saint Joseph's hospital the health charts are placed upon the foot of the beds. On the white iron bed by the window the chart reads, "Sara Murphy: August 17, 1931; struck by car; injuries—compound fracture of the left leg, broken collar bone, and possible internal injuries."

Sara opened her eyes for the first time after her accident and gazed into those of a blue-uniformed nurse. And to the unasked question in her eyes the nurse replied, "You were injured by an automobile, but we'll soon have you all right again."

She looked around the room, took note of the other beds, and closed her eyes again. "How badly am I injured?" she asked timorously.

"Your left leg is broken, but don't worry we'll take care of you." "Will I have to sell more artificial flowers today?" she inquired deliriously.

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"Yes, Sara was glad she was in the hospital then. Now, too, she had some real flowers. On a nearby table there were two dozen of the reddest roses, and on an engraved card it said, "John Woodruff, Junior."

On the second of September, in a beautifully furnished downtown office, John Woodruff, Senior, was looking over his monthly bills. "Humph, what's this bill from Saint Joseph's hospital for a patient in woman's ward? That's puzzling! And a bill for two dozen roses sent to the same place. I suppose that impertinent son of mine came near to killing some one again."

—Mary Hall

Mrs. Wilkens: Was it very crowded at the cabaret last night?

W. Watson: "Not under my table."

Maid: There's a women outside with a man.

Old Maid: Tell her I'll take him.

Latham: Waiter, there's a hair in this honey.

Waiter: Sorry, sir. It must have come off of the comb.

Prof. Nordman: Say, do you like to play with blocks?

Mr. Ford: Not since I grew up.

Prof.: Then quit scratching your head.

Business Ex.: I had to let my stenographer go because she wasn't experienced.

Friend: What was the trouble?

Bus. Ex.: She didn't know anything except shorthand and typing.

Stein: How am I going to support our family?

Wife: You've got me.

Stein: Yeah, that's just the trouble.

College Soph: Where were you born?

Jim O'Brien: Ireland.

Soph: Why?

Jim: I wanted to be near my mother.

Brown (driving): I always keep both hands on the steering wheel.

Miss Hipler (sourly): Well, I'm right here in case you need a handkerchief.

Stein: Who are they mounting them now, when they shoot 'em?

—CLLA-ZEL THEATRE

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