

Haig Flays Property Tax as Revenue Source

Cleveland—The difficulty from which education is suffering, that of revenue, can be adequately met only by revolutionary changes in our fiscal machinery and our government organization, Professor Robert M. Haig of Columbia University told the department of superintendence of the National Educational Association here last week.

"It is hopeless to continue to depend upon the general property tax as the sole source of state and local revenue if we are to finance the program of public education," he said.

"Our figures show that in 1920, the total public revenues of this country, national, state and local, were in excess of eight billion dollars, which means that approximately 15 per cent of our total income was spent in connection with public enterprises. We now do nearly one-sixth of our work collectively under government control.

"I should like to commend to your earnest consideration and possible support the program of the National Tax Association. This plan calls for the abandonment of the attempt to tax intangible property tax. It suggests supplementing the tax on tangible property with statewide levies on personal and business incomes along the general lines worked out in the tax systems of New York, Massachusetts and Wisconsin. There is general agreement among those who have given thought to the problem that this program offers the next logical step in tax reform in most of our states."

Blind Students Play Basketball Despite Being Handicapped

The most remarkable basketball teams in existence, probably the only ones of their kind in the world, may be found at the Pittsburgh Nebraska institute for the blind.

This institute has actually developed among its members rival quintets, and in spite of their handicap, they play a game which causes one to marvel at their speed and accuracy.

Basketball for the blind is, of course not the ordinary cage game, but is modified to some extent. The greatest obstacle in the way of the sightless is accurate basket shooting. However, this difficulty has been met by placing eight ruffer mats on the floor, four in the vicinity of each basket. These serve as landmarks, as they can be easily felt with the feet, from which the players try for the goal.

They train to shoot from these spots and acquire the knack of caging the sphere with ease. The foul line is marked with a strip of linoleum pasted to the floor at the regular seven-foot distance, and may thus be discerned by touching with the foot.

When the modern says he can drink or let it alone, he isn't talking about will power; he's talking about nerve.

How times change. The strap now used in the street car to hang a once used in the woodshed to prevent hanging.

Thirty-one educators from other universities and school and members of various boards and departments of education will join the faculty of the University of Wisconsin for the 1923 summer session June 25 to Aug. 3.

In the School of Education, Charles J. Anderson, assistant state superintendent of public instruction, Wisconsin, Harl R. Douglass, University of Oregon, and Samuel C. Kols, psychologist, court of domestic relations, Portland, Ore., will be among the lecturers, as well as Dr. Elizabeth Woods, clinical psychologist and supervisor of special classes, Wisconsin state department, and Prof. Harold Y. Moffett, University of Iowa, who will lecture in English and education. Alexander R. Graham, Wisconsin state board for vocational education state supervisor high schools and manual arts, Mrs. Jennie M. Turner, state board of education, Miss Margaret Johnston, state board for vocational education, and Miss Irene Buck, Madison public schools, will teach in the department of applied arts and industrial education.

Miss Pauline Camp, Wisconsin state department of education, Mrs. Elizabeth Parker Hunt, Wellesley college.

Prof. Glenn N. Merry, University of Iowa, Prof. Irving B. Pichel, University of California, and Miss Martha H. Dwyer, Madison public schools, and Giles W. Gray, University of Illinois, will lecture in the department of speech.

In the department of history, Prof. Chauncey S. Boucher, University of Texas, Prof. John R. Knipping, University of Ohio, Albert H. Sanford, La Crosse Normal school, and Prof. C. W. Alvrud, University of Minnesota, will lecture.

Prof. Joseph B. Haley, Randolph-Macon college, will lecture in the department of classics. Prof. Charles

N. Smiley, Grinnell college, will teach classes in Latin.

Prof. Rollin M. Perkins, University of Iowa, will lecture in the Wisconsin Law school.

Prof. Norman J. Radder, University of Indiana department of Journalism, will join the Journalism staff.

Prof. Guy H. Smith, University of Pennsylvania, and Prof. Warren D. Smith, University of Oregon, will lecture in geology and geography.

Miss Elizabeth Schon, University of Michigan, and Miss Helen Hazelton, Northwestern university, will join the physical education staff.

Prof. The. Svedberg, University of

Uppsala, Sweden, will conduct classes in colloid chemistry, in the department of chemistry.

Miss Florence Bergendahl, Augustana college, Rock Island, Ill., will teach in the School of Music. John Staack, U. S. geological survey, will lecture in topographic engineering.

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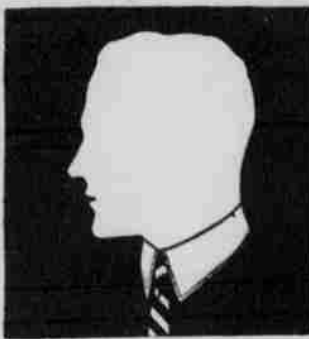
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