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...“With a man of vision and experience at the head of the Department of Education at Harrisburg we may confidently look forward to fuller recognition of the value of the teacher to the community and higher standards of efficiency.”

“The State Modern Language Association should be one of the agencies most interested and most active in the new movement for higher standards. It should have on its membership roll as nearly as possible all the teachers of the modern languages in the State, if its effectiveness and helpfulness are to be realized to the highest degree.”

“There are at least 900 teachers of modern languages on the teaching staff of the colleges, private schools, and public high schools of the State. The annual meeting of the Association in December should find them banded together in one organization, stimulating the interest of its members and taking its proper part in the development of the educational program of the State.”

**NOTES AND COMMENTS**

It was “Resolved, that it is the sense of this meeting that the present prerequisite of twelve hours in order to qualify for teaching ancient and modern languages... is absolutely inadequate and that successful teaching cannot be expected from such equipment. Furthermore that the minimum requirement should be placed at twenty-four semester hours with the understanding that a two-year high school course in language might count as six semester hours toward such a requirement; and that the Department of Public Instruction be asked to consider that the advisability of establishing examinations as a basis for appointment to Modern Language positions in the high schools of the State.”

... “A committee was appointed to study the practice of other States with respect to a sabbatical year for teachers ... and also opportunities afforded by scholarships for study in foreign countries.” ...

... The Pittsburgh section of the State Modern Language association was organized on April 7, 1921.

In 1921 the PSMLA annual dues were \$1.00.