

Few More Teachers Suspected as Red; Jansen Says He's Not on Witch-Hunt

Superintendent of Schools Jansen said today that possibly four more teachers were under investigation on suspicion of Communist ties and promised that the eight already under suspension would be accorded hearings with the right to counsel and appeal.

Jansen told 400 members of the City Federation of Women's Clubs at Hotel Astor that his actions thus far under the state's anti-Communist Feinberg Law involved only an "infinitesimal number" of the city's 36,000 teachers.

As for new investigation, Jansen said:

"Perhaps there may be one, two or three, or perhaps four, but it's no great number. Until we have definite information that they are or are not Communists, I don't call them in for questioning. I am not on any witch-hunt."

Jansen told the clubwomen he believed he had the right, under the law, "to inquire into the loyalty of the American ideals of a teacher.

'I Have Right to Ask'

"If I believe I have evidence that that loyalty may be subject to question," he said, "I have the right to ask—and it is the duty of the teacher to answer."

The eight suspended teachers, all members of the Teachers Union, Local 55 of the United Public Workers, which was out-

ed from the CIO because of alleged Communist domination, meanwhile, stood fast in their contention that their rights had been violated.

Charge Anti-Semitism

With Mrs. Rose C. Russell, the union's legislative representative, acting as their spokesmen, they sat mute during a press conference yesterday when queried by reporters about possible Communist Party memberships.

Mrs. Russell charged that the

suspension were "anti-Semitic." She said the eight refused to answer Jansen's queries about Communist ties "because they were not permitted to have counsel."

"Well, they have counsel here," a reporter remarked. "so I now raise the same questions."

"This is no inquiry," replied Mrs. Russell. "It is a press conference. There is no question about the fitness, conduct and character of these teachers. The inquiry was persecution on the

basis of alleged associations and opinions. Questions about the Communist Party are irrelevant. Maybe you like to ask irrelevant questions."

The eight are Abraham Lederman, Teachers Union president, Mrs. Celia Lewis Citron, Isadore Rubin, Mark Friedlander, Louis Jaffe, David L. Friedman, Abraham Feingold, and Alice B. Citron.

"Are you saying that anti-Semitism is involved" a reporter asked.

"Yes," said Mrs. Russell. "The record shows it."

She said the American Jewish Congress had requested Supt. Jansen to tell the teachers not to permit anti-Semitism in classrooms, and Jansen had said there was no occasion for such a warning.

Student Riots Probed

Jansen, in his talk before the clubwomen, also dealt with the recent student demonstrations in support of teacher pay demands, but saying that an investigation is underway to establish "the fundamental reasons."

Mischa Auer Marries New York Girl in Rome

Rome, May 5 (AP)—Hollywood comedian Mischa Auer and Miss Susanne Kalish of New York were married in a private civil ceremony in Rome today.

The bride is described as a daughter of a New York physics professor. She met Auer in Paris last fall.

The ceremony was performed at the Capitoline Hall, Rome's city hall, by the deputy mayor, who read it both in English and

Italian.

It was Auer's second marriage. He was divorced last summer.

Miss Kalish, 21, gave her address as 38 Fort Washington Av., New York. She studied in France before her graduation from Columbia University.

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