

American Educationists Discuss School Problems

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WASHINGTON (CP)—American educationists, faced with many of the same problems that worry Canadians, have concluded that more federal aid is needed to cure the ills of the American public school system.

More than 2,000 delegates, representing a broad segment of society in each of the 48 states, gathered at school problems for four days in a national conference called here by President Eisenhower to advise him on educational questions. It was the greatest stocktaking of the country's schools ever attempted.

The delegates, including teachers, farmers, housewives, laborers, business men and professional people, tackled an agenda that might well have been drawn from the problems that plague Canadian educationists—school financing, school construction, shortages of teachers and a flagging public interest in education.

NO STRINGS ATTACHED

Their final report produced these highlights:

1. The delegates favored federal support on a 2-to-1 ratio, but on a no-strings-attached basis. The overwhelming majority approved federal funds for school construction. On the issue of funds for day-to-day school operations, the dele-

gates divided about equally. Federal aid for non-public schools—parochial and private—was opposed.

2. The conference called for a salary schedule for teachers high enough to compete with other fields, and listed these qualifications of a good teacher: active interest in children, professional competence, good physical and mental health, and pride in teaching as a profession.

3. To stimulate public interest in schooling, the conference suggested greater emphasis on the role the public can play in improving the school system and urged that students be instructed in the organization, financing and purposes of public and non-public schools.

As the conference concluded, Federal Health Secretary Marlow Fulson indicated in a wind-up address that the Eisenhower administration will place before Congress legislation to provide funds for school construction. He said the legislation would include a "broadened and improved program of federal assistance."

EARLY LEGISLATION

Eisenhower asked Congress earlier this year for a \$7,000,000,000 school building program but the legislation, providing for most of the money to go in the form of loans to communities, was at-

tacked by school officials as impractical and unworkable. It never passed the congressional committees.

The conference met against the background of recent charges by business leaders and scientists, including chairman Lewis Strauss of the Atomic Energy Commission, that lagging educational standards have produced a dangerous shortage of scientists, engineers and technically-trained help. Strauss said the country's national security is being endangered.

Defence leaders also have expressed concern because Russia is graduating more scientific and engineering students than the United States.

A wide Canadian interest in the outcome of the Conference was indicated by the presence of several Canadian observers and reports by conference officials that a number of Canadian school superintendents have requested copies of conference documents.

The areas of responsibility for education are basically parallel in the two countries in that jurisdiction rests at the local and provincial level in Canada and at the local and state level in the United States. However, the federal administration in the U.S. provides greater aid for education than does the federal government in Canada.

Short Course For Junior Farmers At Sherbrooke

A two-night, junior farmers short course concluded at Sherbrooke hall last night. This course, which began on Tuesday, was sponsored by the Provincial Department of Agriculture and the East Prince Junior Farmers organization and was well attended.

The first night's program featured Mr. Kenneth Walker who spoke on artificial insemination. Mr. Walker is an inseminator with East Prince Artificial Breeding Club and gave an account of the history of the club and the advantages of breeding artificially.

The next speaker was Dr. M.H. Clark, veterinary from Kennington who lectured on animal diseases and their treatment.

Mr. S.C. Wright, deputy minister of agriculture spoke on the recent agricultural conference at Ottawa. He stated that 1955 butter production will be about the same as last year. Keeping the support price on butter at 58 cents gives a measure of protection to the farmer but does not encourage overproduction. He said that it means the consumer is getting his butter at a steady price the year around.

The last speaker was George C. Fisher, provincial animal pathologist who spoke on the art of public speaking. He said that in speaking, remember three things, give an example, develop your point, develop your reasons.

Mr. Urban Laughlin presided the first night of the course. Music was provided by Messrs. Donald and David Profit.

Last night's program was chaired by Mr. Keith Clay, Prince County fieldman.

A talk on sheep production was given by Jim Mundy of Canada Department of Agriculture. He

stressed the importance of raising good quality sheep to enhance a premium at shipping time.

Swine production work was then lectured on by Mr. H.W. Clay who has worked in the swine division for the last 33 years as senior livestock fieldman with Canada Department of Agriculture.

The topic "Grain diseases" was capably covered by Mr. I.L. Tuplin director of extension for Provincial Department of Agriculture.

The final speaker was Mr. C.S. Scranton, poultry fieldman with Canada Department of Agriculture who spoke on the poultry outlook in Prince Edward Island.

Each speaker was thanked by a junior farmer member.

CRAPAUD W. I.

The annual meeting of Crapaud W. I. was held on Nov. 1st, was attended by nineteen members. The president, Mrs. Leroy Howatt, gave a short resume of the year's work, which was very successful. We assisted the Dental Clinic, Swimming course, Crapaud Exhibition and lighting. The Hall received \$265, including new seats in one room.

Donations to various organizations amounted to \$30.00 and our Affiliation Fees \$14.00. Our biggest money making venture was in catering to the Crapaud Exhibition, with two other Institutes, and in a Community concert. A donation of \$850 was given the Rink Com. proceeds from canteen service provided by W. I.

A nominating Committee, Mrs. Frank Myers, Mrs. Wilmol MacDonald and Mrs. Ralph Myers, brought in the following slate of officers: President, Mrs. Park Can-

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MARGATE W.M.S.

The annual meeting of the Margate W.M.S., was held at the home of Mrs. George Mayhew. Mrs. H. Woodside led the Christmas service with Mrs. R. Dennis in charge of the music. Mrs. H. Mayhew and Mrs. A. Profit sang a duet "Silent Night". Correspondence was read including a letter from Mrs. S. Thompson regarding the Presbyterian to be held in Charlottetown January 24 and 25. Also a letter from Mrs. Parker concerning literature.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Wilbur and Reggie Dennis. The worship service is to be led by Mrs. A. Profit and the study book will be in charge of Mrs. John Johnson. Our missionary for prayer in 1956 is Miss King. A collection was taken, mite boxes were opened and also the birthday box.

The following officers were elected: president, Mrs. Wilbur Dennis; vice-pres., Mrs. Heath Mayhew; treasurer, Mrs. John Johnson; reading secy., Miss Selina Johnson; corr. secy., Mrs. E. T. Glydon; mission band leaders, Mrs. H. Mayhew, and Mrs. Keith Warren; baby band superintendent, Mrs. Arthur Profit.

Christian stewardship secy., Mrs. Stanley Sharp; friendship secy., Mrs. Ralph Howard; temperance and citizenship, Mrs. R. Dennis; press secy., Mrs. Keith Warren; assn. helpers secy., Mrs. H. Woodside; organist, Mrs. R. Dennis; Penny fund, Mrs. C. Howard.

The meeting closed with silent prayer for our missionary followed by benediction. Lunch was served by Mrs. Mayhew and the committee in charge.

BEDEQUE

A congregational get-together was held in the United Church hall here on Wednesday evening, December 7th. It was sponsored by the young people's group. The programme and refreshments were also provided by them.

On Sunday evening, December 11th, the C. G. I. T., of Bedeque held their annual Vesper Service in the United Church. This is the National Christmas Vesper Service in which all C. G. I. T. Groups across Canada participate at this season. Mrs. Eldon Wright, the leader of the local group, presided and conducted the impressive service, assisted by Miss Carol Raynor, who read the two Scripture lessons, and Miss Catherine Callbeck, who read a story suitable to the occasion. The G. G. I. T. choir was in charge of the church organist, Mrs. Walter Craig, and sang Christmas carols. The candle-light part of the service was performed by several of the group. The prayers were offered by members of the group. A liberal offering was presented which goes to the Department of Christian Canadian Council of Churches. The meeting was closed with the benediction by Rev. E. S. Weeks.

The Bedeque Women's "Half Century" club met at the home of Mrs. Percy Affleck, on Monday evening December 12th. Meeting was presided over by the president, Mrs. Walter Learns. Twelve members and two visitors were present. Roll call was answered by miscellaneous items, consisting of readings, quotations, recipes etc. It was decided to send a treat to sick members. Program consisted of reading by Mrs. Charles Henderson, entitled "Wait". A Christmas contest was directed by Mrs. Ernest Johnson, also one by Mrs. Orville Johnson. The program was closed by singing "Silent Night". Christmas gifts were then exchanged, and lunch was served by the hostess. BQ

KELVIN GROVE W. I.

The postponed monthly meeting of Kelvin Grove W. I. met at the home of Mrs. Harold Laird Friday evening Dec. 9th. The president, Mrs. Sterling Millar presiding. Meeting opened with the singing of "Jingle Bells". Creed was repeated in unison. Roll call was answered by nine members and three visitors were present. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved. One member paid her dues.

Correspondence was read and discussed. Moved by Mrs. Morris Casely, seconded by Mrs. Horace Paynter that we send 12.00 membership to Drama. Mrs. Casely and Mrs. Paynter are to be our representatives to Drama Association. Moved by Mrs. Frank Bagole seconded by Mrs. Ralph Moase we send \$12.50 to Sanatorium.

Proceeds from Leadership Banquet were \$55.50 cents. Bills were presented and on motion ordered paid. Treasurer gave a complete financial statement. Collection \$1.30. Freezer dues 15 cents. Mrs. Horace Paynter invited members to her home for January meeting. Lunch comm: Mrs. Morris Casely, Moase and Mrs. Harold Laird.

A very enjoyable part of the program was a gift of an Institute Cook Book to 10 non-members of our District with the hope they would come to our meetings in the near future, also an exchange of Christmas gifts among members. Mrs. Frank Bagole put on a contest, winner was Mrs. Laird. Lunch was served by hostess and committee. Meeting closed with singing "O Come all ye Faithful".

SHERBROOKE W. I.

The December meeting of the Sherbrooke W. I. met at the home of Mrs. Eric Madsen with 13 members present. The meeting opened by singing "White Christmas". The minutes and financial report were read and approved.

The school committee reported that they are supplying soap and towels for the children. Mrs. Fred MacDonald was appointed to buy Christmas treats for the school children and Mrs. Fred Harris was appointed to pack boxes for the shut-ins at Christmas. After correspondence was read and discussed, \$2.00 was voted for the T. B. League. The president, Mrs. Edward Laughlin, and secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Frank Townsend gave reports on the leadership course held in Kennington.

Roll call was answered with Christmas verses. It was decided that the next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Charles Coughlin and roll call will be answered by giving a new year's resolution on how we can improve our community. Christmas cards were autographed to be sent to old members.

Lunch was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Fred Harris and Mrs. Earle Chappelle. The remainder of the evening was spent in an enjoyable sing-song with Mrs. Eric Madsen at the piano.

COLEMAN SCHOOL
NOVEMBER REPORT

Grade X: 1, Elaine Campbell.
Grade VIII: 1, Marie Bryantton.
Grade VII: 1, Jean Coughlin;
2, Ferne Barlow.
Grade VI: 1, Harvey MacKay;
2, Warren Coughlin;
3, Heber MacPhee.
Grade V: 1, Sandra Currie;
2, Annie Bryantton;
3, Russel Coughlin.
Grade IV: 1, Robert Lockhart;
2, Kenneth Barlow;
3, Helen Barlow.
Grade III: 1, Charles McCallum;
Marie McCallum; (equal)
2, Calvin MacEachern.
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