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## Education on the March

Thinking people, in this day and age, do not need to be reminded of the importance of education in our national life, but it is not so certain that we have given sufficient thought to the possibility that our educational institutions may not be adapting themselves rapidly enough to changing conditions. Since change, in a changing world, is inevitable, and since reforms, in a democratically organized country, can come only as a result of public demand and majority approval, we have only ourselves to blame if education in Ontario should ever fall behind in the march of progress. There is no such danger, however, if everyone who has any interest in the education of our youth (and that should mean every intelligent citizen) makes it his or her business, first—to learn what reforms are most urgent, and second—to work for or to support any measures which will make these reforms possible.

Education Week (February 23rd to 29th), sponsored by the Canadian Teachers' Federation and featured this year by a programme of radio addresses on a national hook-up by such outstanding speakers as Her Excellency, Lady Tweedsmuir and Hon. Norman Rogers, Minister of Labour, will have served a very useful purpose if it has done something to make each and all of us more "education conscious." It is natural that people should differ concerning individual items in any reform programme, but there cannot be two minds about the desirability of moving forward, since to stand still is to recede. The one point on which most people like to be certain, of course, is whether or not a particular reform constitutes a move forward. Unfortunately, there can be no certainty about any future event in this imperfect world, but surely we can put some reliance on the experience of other countries and on the advice of those whose ability and training entitle them to the term, educational experts. If we conclude, then, that educational reforms in Ontario will utilize the experience of other countries whose problems are similar and will follow along lines suggested by the current investigations of "experts" we can look forward to changes in at least two directions—(1) a curriculum in the secondary schools better adapted to individual capacities and needs; (2) a system of administration and finance which will attempt to equalize educational advantages and opportunities for every boy and girl in the province.

A great deal of work has already been done in Ontario by way of preparation and investigation, but so seldom is education "front page news" that many newspaper readers will be unaware of progress to date. The Department of Education is working on a revision of the curricula of our schools which will bring them more into line with modern trends of thought. In this revision the Department has available the detailed suggestions made, after many months of voluntary labour, by a committee of teachers and others. Dr. McArthur and his investigating commission of last summer followed the same policy of receiving briefs from interested groups—in that particular case, groups interested in financial and administrative reforms. Probably the most detailed and helpful brief submitted to the commission was a 35-printed-page pamphlet outlining the systems of financing and administering education in English-speaking countries and in all the provinces of Canada, with concrete proposals for reforms in Ontario based on the best in other countries and adapted to our special conditions. Few are aware that this brief was the work of a committee of teachers from the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation working voluntarily and at their own expense. Since the government commission is chiefly concerned with the problem of equalizing the burden of educational costs throughout the province, it is safe to assume that changes in Ontario will follow the practice in those countries which have adopted an equalization programme.

How many readers are aware of even a few of the facts which educational bodies in Ontario are wrestling with to-day? Here are some of the most significant.

1. Ontario has approximately 6,600 administrative units operating schools, and the other Canadian provinces a like proportion. In comparison—England and Wales, with a population twelve times as great as that of Ontario, have only 317 school authorities or Boards. Scotland has but 35.
2. In no other English-speaking country, except Canada and the United States, is the educational unit smaller than the country or large city.
3. All English-speaking countries, except Canada and the United States,

contribute at least half, and often the whole cost of education from the central treasury.

4. Government grants in Ontario average only 11.5% of the total cost of schools; Quebec 6.3%; Nova Scotia 13.1%; New Brunswick 14.7%; Manitoba 13.5%; Saskatchewan 17.6%; Alberta 13.3%; only British Columbia and Prince Edward Island approach other systems, with state support 32.9% and 59.1% respectively.

5. It is instructive to compare the above figures with those for other states in the Empire. In England and Wales over 50% of school costs is borne by the national treasury, with special aid to needy areas; in Scotland the state share is 57%; Northern Ireland about 82%; Irish Free State, around 80%; South Africa, about 75% by the Union, 25% by provinces, and no local taxation; New Zealand and Australia have centralized administration with 100% support from the national or provincial treasury.

6. All the above-mentioned parts of the Empire have national salary scales for teachers so that the best teachers will not be confined to the wealthier districts. Since good teachers have more effect on the quality of schooling provided than any other single factor or combination of factors in the educational system; it is surely of great importance that the general public should know where Ontario stands in this matter.

7. There is absolutely no equality in salary scales in Ontario. Some school units pay \$500.00 a year for the same grade of teacher as that for which another board may pay \$900.00 or even \$1200.00. Salaries of secondary school teachers vary anywhere from less than \$1000.00 to over \$2000.00 for teachers with more than one year's successful experience. What is the inevitable result—on the pupils whose lot it is to live in a poor district; and on the teachers in these districts from whom is expected the same quality of work as teachers with twice the salary are giving?

8. If it is true that our boys and girls from poorer municipalities and school units are entitled to the same quality of instruction as others enjoy, it is also true that they are entitled to the same opportunities for higher education. As things are in Ontario to-day, only the children of the well-to-do, plus a mere handful who win the few available scholarships, go on to a university. Not one provincial government, nor the national government, has made any attempt to follow the example of the other self-governing dominions in the Empire to ensure that students of marked ability are able to develop their talents after leaving school. New Zealand, with a population one-seventh of Canada's, spends as much money as we do on matriculation scholarships. Australia, Scotland, England and Wales likewise spend a great deal more than Canada on scholarships and maintenance allowances. It is estimated that the British Government in 1924 assisted over 140,000 students of ability and promise who would otherwise have been unable to complete their education. It is also well to remember that Russia and Japan are forging ahead to-day largely because they had the foresight to invest large sums in training their brilliant students and in building up facilities for research.

9. From all the above facts one conclusion at least seems inevitable—that in those countries where educational advantages have been equalized there has already taken place a consolidation of administration with greater central control and with no unit smaller than a county board.

10. Consolidation is being discussed in every province in Canada. Alberta seems likely to lead the way, as the government has already circulated a proposal which is to be discussed at the next session of the legislature. The plan involves substituting advisory committees for the 3,325 rural school boards now in existence, but all rural schools would be grouped into 43 or 45 administrative divisions with five directors elected by the ratepayers in each division.

Will Ontario follow Alberta's example, or will she go further and include the secondary schools in her reform plan? Whatever the plan, an informed and sympathetic public opinion will be the first requisite for its success.

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