

**SCHOOL PROBLEMS**

By Supt. Washburne

Q.—How can you avoid serious confusion under the individual system when all children are doing different things?

A.—This has been perhaps the most important problem confronting us in establishing the individual system. We have, however, delayed putting the individual system into effect until we had machinery for handling it without confusion. The machinery is very simple although it has required a great deal of faithful and intelligent work on the part of the teachers to prepare it. It consists of a series of diagnostic tests with corresponding practice material in all subjects which are on an individual basis. The addition test, for instance, includes all possible number combinations and the answer sheets are so keyed as to show each pupil exactly what practice work he needs to do in order to overcome the weakness shown by the test. The practice work has been bound up in booklet form for each child so that he can turn to the particular page of practice work that fits the weakness shown by the test. The child corrects his own practice work and marks himself on it. It does him no good to cheat in this since his promotions and the O. K.'s on his goal card are based entirely upon the subsequent tests. To mark himself high in his practice work would simply result in his failing the next test. We are therefore having almost no trouble with children cheating themselves. The general principal of diagnosing children's weaknesses with tests and providing them with self-corrective practice material applies through all the individual subjects and makes it possible to administer the system without confusion.

Q.—Do children under the individual system get as much chance to express themselves and become socialized as under the regular class system?

A.—There is more opportunity because under the individual system provision is made for oral reports, discussions and dramatics. Under the class system recitations are largely a random effort on the part of the teachers to find out whether or not the children have studied their lessons. It is impossible for the teacher to have each child recite on all parts of the lesson. She therefore has to trust to luck that she will discover the shirker. Recitations of this sort tend to consist of memory work and to be more or less perfunctory. Under the individual system, on the other hand, the checking up as to whether the lessons have been learned or not is done entirely by simple tests in which each child is tested upon all parts of his lesson. The oral recitation period is therefore left free for genuine discussions, reports and social activities.

Q.—Why are there desks directly in front of the new Memorial in the Horace Mann corridor?

A.—Because, unfortunately, there is no other place for one of the classes to sit at certain periods of the day. This particular part of the corridor is the only part that is wide enough to admit 33 desks without interfering with free passage through the corridor at times of fire drill and recess. It is also the only part of the corridor through which children are not continually passing. The condition is extremely unfortunate, but is only one of the serious handicaps under which the Winnetka schools are operating, and will have to continue to operate until our new building is ready.

**B. A. CLUB MEETS**

The North Shore British-American club meets this afternoon for a party at the Community House.

**MOTORIST OF TODAY GETS MORE FOR HIS MONEY THAN IN 1914**

You'll never believe this—but it's true!

The motorist gets more for his dollar than he did in 1914.

Of course, when J. Herman Honkhonk and family roll haughtily up to the entrance of the Hotel Palatial and give the waiter writer's cramp by their dinner order consisting of everything in and out of season, Herman is not going to get as much for his dollar as he would have six years ago. Take it from the cold, merciless statistics of the U. S. department of Labor that dinner for the family is going to take 170 per cent more from the Honkhonk bank-roll than in 1914.

Father Honkhonk glares at the size of the bill so deftly flipped on its back by the waiter-bandit, remembering the 253 per cent increase in cost of clothes worn by his family and suddenly recalling that he paid 231 per cent more for the last household furnishings than he did six years ago.

As the family is boarding the car,

Honkhonk, Sr., runs a proud and appraising eye over its pretty lines and fine finish. His chest swells with a sense of ownership of this speedy, comfortable and sturdy machine, and he chuckles in reminiscence as he remembers the fragile, uncomfortable "teapot" he bought a decade ago when automobiles were "horseless carriages". One paid dearly for motoring in the early days.

"Guess I'll buy a new tire," muses the lord and master of the Honkhonk clan, as his eye travels to the worn right rear. "Don't want to get caught without a good spare," he adds.

With the memory of that big dinner check still ranking, "J. H." runs over to the hotel garage and orders a new casing and tube. A sigh of relief escapes when he finds the price is the same as he paid last year.

"Whazzamatter, haven't tires gone up?"

"Only 37 per cent since 1914," replies the garage man, "but at that

they're 33 per cent cheaper than in 1910."

As the car rolls smoothly out to the highway, Honkhonk turns to his better half, who from the seat be-

side him is doing most of the driving without handling the wheel, and ejaculates, "Doggone, Emily, motoring is cheaper than eating."

**VILLAGE OF WINNETKA NOTICE**

Winnetka, Illinois, Sept. 25, 1920. Notice is hereby given that sealed bids for the construction of the following improvement:

For the construction of a connected system of storm water sewers, with brick masonry manholes, brick masonry catch basins, vitrified tile pipe junctions closed with vitrified tile discs, connections for catch basins, and concrete end wall, including engineering and supervision during construction, in Pine Street from a point 340 feet west of the west line of the Subdivision known as Skokie View, east in said Pine Street to the private road running northerly and southerly through Skokie View; also in the private road and the private road extended running northerly and southerly through Skokie View from the storm water sewer herein proposed to be constructed in Pine Street northerly to a point 23 feet north of the south line of Fig Street; also in the private road running easterly and westerly in Skokie View from the storm water sewer herein proposed to be constructed in the private road running northerly and southerly through Skokie View, easterly for a distance of 700 feet, and westerly for a distance of 300 feet, all in the Village of Winnetka, County of Cook and State of Illinois, said improvement and assessment being otherwise known as Winnetka Special Assessment No. 355,172, in accordance with the ordinance heretofore passed therefore, will be received by the Board of Local Improvements of the Village of Winnetka by or before eight o'clock P. M., on Tuesday, the fifth day of October, A. D. 1920, at which hour all bids will be opened at a meeting to be held in the Council Chamber of the Village Hall, in said Village of Winnetka, Cook County, Illinois.

The specifications of said improvement are on file in the office of the Clerk of said Village of Winnetka.

Contractors will be paid in bonds bearing interest at the rate of five per cent per annum for all estimates approved by the Board of Local Improvements in the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) and over, from the second and subsequent installments of said Special Assessment, and when the amount of balance due on any estimate is more than the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) and no further bonds may be issued against the second and subsequent installments of said Special Assessment, and when the amount of balance due on any estimate is less than the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), the same will be paid by time warrants.

In addition to the usual bond for construction and maintenance in the sum equal to the amount of the bid accepted by the Board of Local Improvements, the successful bidder will be required to furnish an indemnity and defense policy in some reliable company, indemnifying the Village of Winnetka against loss from liability for damages on account of injury or death suffered by reason of the performance of the work required to be performed by the said contractor, by any person or persons, including such liability imposed under the employers' liability and workmen's compensation law of the State of Illinois, and the amendments thereof, in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00).

JOHN S. MILLER, JR., President of the Board of Local Improvements of the Village of Winnetka.  
FREDERICK DICKINSON, Village Attorney.

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