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Rural Teachers' Pay

The Ontario Federation of Women Teachers has compiled an interesting list of salaries paid in the rural schools, including a few consolidated schools, but not the York county graded schools. Out of 2,382 known salaries dealt with in this list, 1,188 or almost exactly 50 per cent. are under \$825. The favorite salary seems to be \$800, there being 565 teachers, or nearly 25 per cent of the whole, engaged at that figure. There are 31 who receive less than \$600.

Out of the 2,382 salaries, 25c. or 12 per cent. are in excess of \$1,000. Only 91, or less than 4 per cent. receive \$1,200 or more.

While the list published in the Educational Courier does not pretend to be a complete one, it shows the present trend toward low pay for one of the most useful classes in the community. Many municipalities seem to think that the first and largest municipal economy achieved should be in the matter of teachers' pay, although there is no other service more important to the future well-being of the race.

The Stouffville School Board, while reducing the public school salaries in 1932, were very fair in the matter, paying the female teachers \$900 this year, which according to the Teachers Union or Federation is a little above the average for the province.

Trouble with most of us is we have debts we can't afford to carry—but unfortunately we can't drop.

EGG FORMULA IS FINE IF THE HENS KNOW IT

How many eggs should a flock of 100 hens lay in a day to pay for their feed? It sounds like one of those little problems the teacher hands out in school, but it's really a little more important to the farmer than that.

F. C. Elford, Dominion poultry husbandman, tells of a fairly reliable formula. Take the cost of feed per hundredweight, divide it by the cost of eggs per dozen and multiply this quotient by three. The answer is the number of eggs required daily to pay for the chicken feed.

Here is Mr. Elford's example: Feed costs \$1.20 per hundredweight; eggs sell for 20 cents a dozen. Applying the formula, the quotient is six. This multiplied by three gives 18—the number of eggs the flock will have to produce day after day for feed at that cost.

County and City Survey Urged

Metropolitan Area Committee Finds Costs Unfairly Divided.

SYSTEM WORN OUT

Request that the province make a survey into the relationship of the county of York with the City of Toronto, in the belief that the formation of a metropolitan area would prevent the excessive centralization of population was recommended by a special committee which included Reeve Mofden of Stouffville. The chairman is Reeve Gray of York Township. The committee was complimented on the report, but the council felt that the problem was too vast to discuss in the dying hours of the session, and it was referred to next year's council.

"We find from the facts before us that the difficulties which the county is facing have been brought about by the unequal distribution of wealth as between the urban and rural districts and the ever increasing expenditures brought about by the ever growing population pressing outward into the suburban communities, which in so doing forces new problems upon the surrounding areas," the committee reported.

Normal City Extension

"Largely growing urban communities which exist outside the limits of the boundary lines of the city constitute the normal extension of the city. To anticipate and provide for this inevitable growth would seem to be much more the responsibility of the city than the rural municipalities adjacent to it," the report finds.

The committee cites the protection of life and property, health and sanitation, education, hospitalization, relief, town planning, public utilities, mothers' allowance and highways as reasons for the need for the establishment of a metropolitan area. Suburban Toronto could justly claim a proportion of the five million dollars contributed annually by business and industrial assessment in the centre of Toronto for educational purposes, the committee declares.

Premier Henry's metropolitan bill, suggested in 1924, proposed that Toronto should contribute one mill of taxes annually for education costs in the metropolitan area and on that basis suburban Toronto would be entitled to eight million dollars which it has never received, the committee states. The committee expressed wonder that the suburban areas have survived so long under such conditions.

Toronto should also assist in the relief of unemployed who formerly worked in the industrial section of Toronto and moved just outside the city because of lower tax rates, the committee believes.

"In this terrible crisis of unemployment many of these persons have been thrown out of work and are now supposed to draw relief from the place in which they have homes and not from the section to whose wealth they contributed their labor."

Worn-out System.

"The practice of organizing these suburban communities into separate municipal units belongs to a worn-out system," and is very much in need of revision," the committee finds. "The metropolitan idea in some form is proposed as a procedure which will make practical and effective interrelations and interaction possible.

"It was never intended that the present county council should be composed of a large number of urban municipalities or that those which now adjoin Toronto should be part of that system, or if this should have been the intention, we submit that the city of Toronto as a municipal corporation should also be a part of our county administration and bear their fair share of the expenditures of our county which are forced upon us through conditions in the city."

Referring to road expenditures the committee points out that Toronto with an assessment of nearly one billion dollars in 1929 paid \$150,000 towards highways, while the county with an assessment of only \$114,324,531, paid a similar amount.

"For the information of the council we wish to advise you that the Premier commended county council for the steps which they have taken to consider this matter and promised that full consideration would be given to any recommendation which the council deems advisable," the report concluded.

G. TRAN, HEADS PLOWMEN

Officers Elected at Annual Meeting in Heather Hall, Agincourt

At the annual meeting of the East York Plowmen's Association in Heather Hall, Saturday, Dec. 10th, the following officers were elected: Hon. presidents, Hon. Geo. S. Henry, A. J. H. Eckardt, Joseph Harris, M.P., James Ley, Alex. McCowan; president, Gardham Tran; vice-president, L. A. Kennedy; secretary, Clarke Young; treasurer, W. L. Clark.

Cheaper Paving Costs

York County Tries Out New Type of Asphalt

Possibility of the construction of cheaper highways in the future was held out by Harvey C. Rose, county engineer, when he addressed York County Council at its December session.

He said the commission laid a new type of asphalt pavement during the year which cost \$4,500 per mile compared with the usual cost of \$18,000. The new pavement was constructed west of Aurora. The commission will have to wait until spring to see how the pavement stands up before it could consider adopting the type, the engineer said.—The road was a secondary one built for the use of 700 to 800 vehicles daily.

COMMUNICATION

Dear Editor:—Your suggestion in last issue regarding returning the present council and school board by acclamation is certainly to be commended. It is all the more suggestive from you, since your office would benefit most by an election. The present school board has lowered expenses and the present council has lowered the tax rate. Both bodies have given as good satisfaction as any successors could if elected. Why then, should the ratepayers who are most directly effected wish to incur election expenses this year in particular? Tax payer

Fair Board Critic

Mr. Observer, Dear Sir:—In reading a recent issue of your paper, I see where you have asked certain matters to be explained in connection with Markham fall fair. I should like to continue your enquiry as one who sees things in the same light as yourself.

I suppose these matters could only be answered properly and correctly by directors of the fair board, as they are the only members of the society that have an opportunity to express their views on such matters from the inside. I should like some one of the said group to explain how they could expect donors to continue giving when the directors start donating to each other. I think this is a matter that should be looked into by members of the society, and by doing so we might get some light on the subject. "Why is the fair not paying?" The depression has brought a great deal of under-work to the surface, but we hope there is none in the Markham Fair Board. If there be, we hope the depression keeps up and by so doing plug up some of the leaks that might cause the Agricultural Society to become a detriment to the country through mismanagement. We wonder why the minutes of the directors meetings is not published. We feel that all members of any organization should be familiar with the business transacted during the year. I think Mr. Observer you were right when you referred to the Board as a Senate with a life membership, because some of those in connection with the fair are so old their eyesight is unable to distinguish a child from an adult in respect to admission tickets.

If any one is able to give an explanation of the questions that have already been asked, we would be pleased to hear from them in the next edition of this paper. Yours truly, ONLOOKER.

Markham, Dec. 1932

THE SMOKING MOTORIST

A superior court judge in Montreal has ruled that motorists who smoke while driving incur a liability if their car is involved in an accident. And to back up his ruling, he reduced the damages in an auto case by one half. He held that the plaintiff's car was in charge of a young woman who was smoking a cigarette which interfered with her manipulation and control of the car and such faults did contribute to the accident and damages.

BETHESDA

BETHESDA W.M.S. AND W.A. The regular monthly meeting of the W. M. S. and W. A. was held in the church, on Wednesday afternoon, December 7th, when the following officers were elected for the coming year. President—Mrs. J. Cherry. Vice-President—Mrs. A. Shaffer. Rec. Sec.—Mrs. E. Logan. Treas.—W. M. S.—Mrs. Burkholder. Treas. W. A.—Mrs. R. Hunt. Organist—Mrs. E. Steckley. Assist. Organist—Miss I. Foote. Associate Helpers, Sec.—Mrs. W. Empringham. Literature Sec.—Mrs. S. P. Foote. Supply Sec.—Mrs. J. Gibson. Temperance Sec.—Mrs. McKewen. Sec. of Christian Stewardship and finance—Mrs. W. Hunt. Missionary Monthly Sec.—Mrs. W. Paisley

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