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### MOTION WAS VOTED DOWN

#### MANUAL TRAINING AND DOMESTIC SCIENCE IN COLLEGIATE.

Board of Education Cleaned off Slate of Business and Adjourned Till September—Playground to be Established At Central School.

Just as the Board of Education had cleaned off its slate of business on Thursday night, and was about to adjourn till the first regular meeting in September, Trustee Allan Lemmon bobbed up with a resolution that brought on a discussion that lasted close on to an hour.

The motion was to have manual training and domestic science installed in the Collegiate Institute. On September 1st, and that the finance committee be asked to provide the funds if possible. Trustee Macdonald seconded the motion, but on it being put to a vote was defeated by 7 to 4 as follows:

Yeas—Trustees Elliott, Lemmon, Macdonald and Mrs. A. Newlands.—A. Nays—Trustees Craig, Godwin, Henderson, Miss E. G. Mowat, Renton, Sawyer, Lockett.—7.

Trustee Lemmon drew attention to the fact that some time ago, the Board authorized a committee to take up the matter. He said the cost would be in the neighborhood of \$3,000 and that the Department of Education would practically pay all of the cost.

Trustee Renton felt that there was too small an attendance at the meeting to decide the matter. Besides, he thought the Collegiate had about all the work it could look after without loading it up with this.

Trustee Elliott regarded the present as an opportune time to install manual training and domestic science in the Collegiate. At the last special meeting of the board, there had been but a small attendance, and yet action had been taken regarding the selection of a site for a new school, at an estimated cost of \$15,000 or \$20,000. From the conversation he had with the Minister of Education in Toronto, recently, he felt that the minister would deal liberally with the schools ready to introduce domestic science. He thought he might be ready to wipe out some of the studies which might be regarded as unnecessary.

Trustee Godwin said that some time ago he had asked for information as regards how many of the pupils of the Collegiate went into trades. He had not yet received the information, and until he received such a report, he was not prepared to vote. A pupil was going into some profession did not need this education, because technical schools were being established by the government, and they would take up this work.

Trustee Henderson raised the question as to whether there had been anything put in the budget for this expenditure, and the chairman said he did not think so.

Trustee Godwin drew attention to the fact that the fees at the Collegiate kept many children away from their families, could not afford it. An effort should be made to have free education there.

Trustee Elliott was ready to hold up both hands for free education in the Collegiate, and that the municipality be asked to pay for all the books. This would bring in more pupils, and he advocated a move to have the pupils stay in the Collegiate for a longer period. He thought the introduction of manual training and domestic science would tend to keep the pupils there longer.

Reports of Committees. Reports were received from the management committee, through the chairman, Trustee Macdonald; the playgrounds committee, through the chairman, Trustee Elliott; and the property committee through the chairman, Trustee Godwin, and all were adopted.

The property committee recommended: "That the tender of F. Young, for the painting and lacquering required at two different school buildings, viz. \$483, being the lowest, be accepted."

"That the tender of W. Clugston, for cement work at Frontenac School viz. \$172, being the lowest received be accepted."

The playgrounds committee recommended: "That the playgrounds be continued at Macdonald school, and that the swing apparatus be removed from its present position to a place to be selected by the committee."

"That a second supervised playgrounds be opened at Central school, Sydneyham street, in time for the coming summer vacation."

"That the programme to be carried out at both playgrounds include industrial work."

The management committee recommended: "That the resignations of Mr. Chase, Mrs. Casselman and Mrs. Box of the Collegiate Institute staff be accepted."

"That the resignations of Miss Miller, Miss Lake and Mrs. Finlay, of the Public School teaching staff, be accepted."

That Miss E. Henstridge, of the Collegiate staff, be appointed teacher of History, and successor to Mrs. Casselman, at a salary of \$1600 per year.

That Miss Dora Stock, of Woodstock, succeed Miss Henstridge as assistant in Moderns, at an initial salary of \$1500 per year.

That Miss Irene McCormack, succeed Miss Henstridge as assistant in Moderns, at an initial salary of \$1500 per year.

played in the absence of Mr. Thompson, who went overseas and who has decided not to return to Kingston. That Eleanor McFarlane and Catherine Eason of Kingston, and Beattie McTear of Bath be appointed to the public school teaching staff at the initial salary provided by the schedule, viz. \$650.

That Ada Sigsworth of Cataraqui be appointed a public school teacher at an initial salary of \$800. In this case \$150 is added for experience as provided by the schedule.

That Agnes Boyd, employed as a temporary public school teacher during this term, be appointed to the permanent staff, the salary schedule to take effect in January, 1919.

That Miss I. Buzau, assistant principal of Victoria School, be granted one year's leave of absence from September next without salary.

Trustee Godwin again put up a strong plea to have a playground for Frontenac school. Three hundred people had petitioned for one there, and he felt the need for it was greater there.

That Miss Mowat intimated that the Daughters of the Empire had promised to give \$80 towards playground equipment.

Reports Of Officers. The report of Inspector J. Russell Stuart for May, was as follows: Enrollment in public schools, 2,683; average attendance, 2,332; Orphans Home enrollment, 35; average, 34; total enrollment, 2,718; average, 2,426.

As compared with the report for May, 1918, there is an apparent loss of 16 in enrollment and 19 in average attendance. Since, however, the younger children have been strictly excluded from the kindergartens this year, the actual attendance for children over five is about 190 over that of last year.

The report of Principal Silfer for the Collegiate showed enrollment, 596; average, 475. This compared with the same month a year ago, was 92 higher in enrollment and 121 higher in average attendance. Special credit was given Trustee Macdonald for his interest in the cadet corps at the Collegiate.

The report of the school nurse for May showed she had inspected 453 pupils; instructions given, 31; consultations with parents, 21; home visitations made, 26.

On motion of Trustee Elliott, seconded by Trustee Renton, \$25 was voted the Collegiate Institute Athletic Association for baseball. Trustee Elliott felt that the board should help the boys in their sport.

On motion of Trustee Godwin and Lockett, the board decided to adjourn until the first regular meeting in September.

As he is leaving the city for several weeks, Trustee Macdonald asked that Trustee Renton be appointed acting chairman of the management committee.—Carried.

These communications were received and referred to committee: From Collegiate Institute Parent-Teachers' Association, asking that the assembly room at the Collegiate be seated.

From Victoria School Parent-Teachers' Association, asking that one of the store rooms be wired, so that an electric stove could be installed, and a kitchenette formed in the room.

From the Trades and Labor Council, asking that a gymnasium be installed in every public school erected in the future.

From the Midland District Society, enclosing cheque for \$250, for supervised playgrounds.

From High School Inspector Rogers, with an extract from his report on his recent inspection of the Collegiate Institute.

From the St. Catharines Public School Board, asking the local board to send a delegate to the meeting to be held in that city to organize an urban teachers' association.

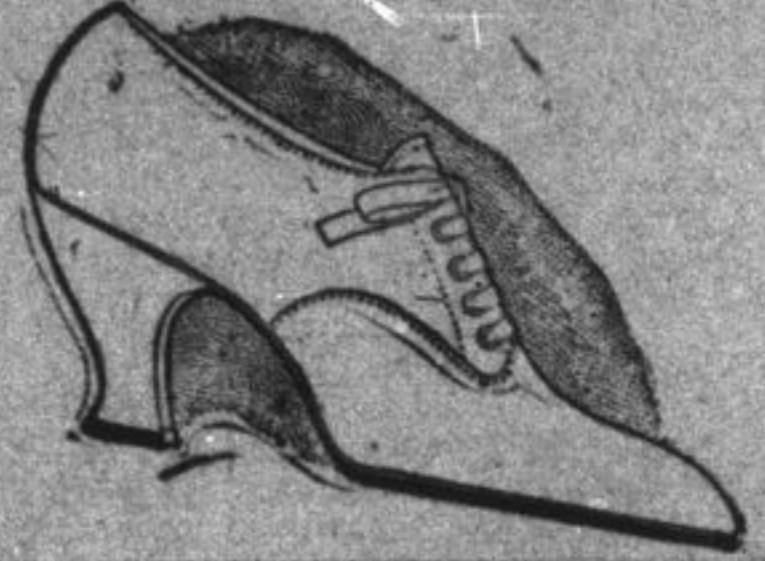
From the Hamilton Board of Education, requesting the board to pass a resolution endorsing the establishment by the government, of a national research institute.

From Louise school, asking the board to purchase a sand box, at a cost of \$10.

The chairman, F. R. Anglin, was in the chair, and presented were Trustee Craig, Elliott, Godwin, Henderson, Lemmon, Macdonald, Miss E. G. Mowat, Mrs. A. Newlands, Renton, Sawyer and Lockett.

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