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DR. PUTNAM'S VIEWS REGARDING EDUCATION

Would Eliminate Entrance Examination—Also Drop Small School Sections.

"Our schools and our teaching are a generation ahead of our methods of administration," declared Dr. J. H. Putnam, chief public school inspector, of Ottawa, in an interview on the general situation so far as education is concerned, before he left Toronto, after attending the Ontario Education Association convention. This, in substance, was the opinion also expressed by Dr. E. H. Wickware, of Smith's Falls, the new president of the O.E.A.

"Probably even in Ryerson's day our best that we had the best schools in the world was a bit beyond the mark," said Dr. Putnam. "But certainly Ryerson did a great work."

The principal trouble with our system now, in the opinion of Dr. Putnam, is that our administration is largely as Ryerson left it. "It is clumsy, inefficient and out of date," he said. "It lacks unity and simplicity. We have too much of it."

Favors County Boards.
"The small school section," said the prominent inspector, "must go. Large city boards elected by wards are also clumsy, and sometimes wasteful. Again, we have too wide a cleavage between administration of elementary and secondary schools. The township board would be an improvement, but a county board, closely linked up with the county council, would be still better."

Discussing the possibility and means of making our schools equal to the best in the world, Dr. Putnam said: "No single educational change would have in it so many possibilities of improvement as the gradual, but complete elimination of the junior high school entrance examination."

"What, in your opinion, have been the chief changes in teaching methods during the past 25 years, and have they been for the better?" Dr. Putnam was asked.

Encourage Independent Effort.
"The chief changes in teaching methods during the past 25 years in elementary schools," he replied, "have been: (1) Less dependence on textbooks and more independent effort on the part of the pupil. (2) A wider range of reading material by the introduction of much supplementary reading material. (3) A less formal type of school recitation, through the introduction of the socialized recitation where children ask and answer questions in turns. (4) Greater emphasis upon organized play as a means of training in self-control, team-work and initiative."

"Personally, I think the township school bill would improve the Ontario school system. And it seems to be making progress in popular esteem. Last year, the whole scheme was howled down, but this year, the whole scheme has gained ground, and it could easily be seen that there are as many for it as against it."

"If we could get this township school idea into practice, it would provide a greater standardization. There would be a board of administration for each county, instead of the little school sections as at present. The petty localisation would be eliminated, and the expenditure would be more equalized and more wisely made."

"My own opinion is that what this province needs is not so much the bringing of the university to the country, as Premier Ferguson proposes; by having the first year work of the university done in the high schools for the pass courses, but the taking of the high schools to the rural centre. This would do more than anything else, in my opinion, to raise the standard of education and to keep the country children on the farm."

The above interview is of added interest to Kingston, as Dr. Putnam is a graduate of Queen's University in both arts and pedagogy.

The death of D. B. Stevens, Belleville, took place on Wednesday. He was born at Frankford, seventy-one years ago. He had lived at Kamloops and Rossland. At the latter place he was collector of customs. Five years ago he came to Belleville with a daughter.

In Cuba one acre of ground has produced \$5,000 worth of tobacco.

Don't Neglect The Children's Coughs and Colds
Mrs. Wm. W. Card, Bancroft, Ont., writes: "Last winter my three children had very bad colds, and they would cough all night long, which was very annoying to the rest of the family. I could get nothing to help them until one night, a friend who was staying with me, advised me to give them

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RADIO

CKAC, Montreal (411).
4 p.m.—Weather, stocks, grains.
7—Talk by the Province of Quebec Safety League.
7.15—Dinner concert by Mr. Georges de Nottier, violinist.
8.30—Concert.
10.30—Harold Leonard's Red Jackets from the Windsor Hotel Grill Room.

CNRA, Moncton (291).
8 p.m.—Juvenile programme.
9—Studio programme; soprano, baritone, violin, harp, and piano solos.
11—CNRA Dance orchestra.

CKCL, Toronto (875).
8.15 p.m.—Morris Piano Quartet.
8.30-9—Silent.
9—Morris Piano Quartet.
9.30—R. S. Williams and Sons Co. Hour of Music.
10.30—Fada Radio Dance orchestra.

WSAI, Cincinnati (326).
8 p.m.—Everready Hour of Music.
9.30—Programme from the WSAI Studio.

KDKA, Pittsburgh (309).
6.30 p.m.—Dinner concert.
8.30—Sacred Song Half Hour.
9—Programme.
11.35—Concert from the Grand Theatre.

WEAF, New York (492).
6 to 12 p.m.—Dinner music from Waldorf Astoria Hotel; Stella Leff, pianist; American Composers' programme; Gold Dust Twins; Everready Hour; Vincent Lopez orchestra; Ross Gorman and orchestra.

WKRC, Cincinnati (326).
10 p.m.—Organ recital.
11—Piano recital.
11.15—The Virginians.
11.45—Blues and Ballads.

WRC, Washington (466).
7.30 p.m.—U. S. Marine Band.
8.30—To be announced.
10.30—Hotel Mayflower orchestra.

WIP, Philadelphia (508.2).
6.05 p.m.—Monte Cross "old time" or.
6.15—Orchestra of S.S. Levitan.
8.15—Violin, cello and piano solos.
9—P. O. S. A. Band.
10.30—Benjamin Franklin orchestra.

WGY, Schenectady (375.3).
6.30 p.m.—Hotel Van Currier orchestra.
7.45—Marine Band from Washington.
9.15—WGY orchestra and Talk on Banking.
10—Grand Tour—"Shakespeare Country and English Lakes."

WBZ, New England (383.1).
8 p.m.—Hebrew-English programme.
8.45—Harvard Freshman Musical Clubs.
9.30—Programme by Frank Peters and Charles Anthony, mandolin.
10.03—WBZ Radio Movie Club from Loew's State Studio.

WOK, Chicago (217.3).
10 p.m. to 1.30 p.m.—Dance orchestras; Capitol Theatre programme; studio programme.

WGBS, New York (316).
8.10—Pauline Watson, violinist.
8.30—All Male Choir, St. Mary's church of Brooklyn.
9—Antonio Giampietro, flautist, and Juliette Bartlett, soprano.
9.20—Mac and Lennie.
9.40 and 10.10—Charles Imerblum, pianist.
9.50—Wirt Barnitz "Travel Story."
10—Hallie Hall, soprano.
10.30—Arrowhead Inn Dance orchestra.

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CATARAQUI RATEPAYERS.
Elect E. K. Purdy and Ernest Cooke School Trustees.
Cataraqui, April 10.—Many are suffering from heavy colds. Mrs. S. Patterson is quite seriously ill at her home here. Miss Carman went to her home in Belleville for the Easter holidays, and Miss Mellraith to Ottawa. Mrs. Guess spent a few days last week in Hartington. Kenneth Davy, who is in the hospital, is progressing toward recovery. Mrs. A. Collings and baby, of Selby, are at the home of their uncle, Mr. B. Collings. Some of the young people went to Harrowsmith on Wednesday evening to help in an entertainment there. In spite of bad roads they report a fine time.

The ratepayers were called together in the school-house on Thursday evening in order to appoint two school trustees to fill the vacancies made by the deaths of Mr. Riley and Mr. Sprout. The men chosen for these positions were E. K. Purdy and Ernest E. Cooke. Mrs. Campbell has returned to Kingston after staying some time with her daughter, Mrs. Sprout. Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Hendy, a son.

Premier Briand of France conferred with Spanish Ambassador respecting peace negotiations with Abd-el-Krim, Rifian leader.
Premier Usunovitch and new Jugoslav cabinet took oath of office at Belgrade.

GANANOQUE

Gananoque, April 12.—Much sympathy is extended to Mrs. Richard Jacques and family in the untimely death of their daughter, Miss Artie, which occurred on Thursday evening after several weeks' illness. The funeral took place Saturday afternoon and was largely attended.

Dr. Gananoque from Hamilton on Good Friday, with Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stafford, and spent the Easter holidays with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gibson and little daughter, Ann, spent the weekend in Brockville with Mrs. John Gibson and Dr. W. Gibson.

Mrs. M. Stack, Brockville, who was called here a couple of weeks ago owing to the illness of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James McLennan, returned home on Friday.

Mrs. Mel Walsh, Youngstown, N.Y., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Joseph Crowley.

The advance sale for the amateur performance, "Oak Farm," in the Lyceum to-night and to-morrow night, has been very large.

W. Lloyd, Winchester, was here at the week-end with his father, Jack Lloyd, who is quite seriously ill with pneumonia at the home of his son, Ross.

Dr. and Mrs. Crawford McCullough, Fort William, spent a few days in town with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. McCullough, before leaving on Saturday for a two months' trip abroad.

F. H. Lutz and Miss Jean spent yesterday in Kingston with Mrs. Lutz, who is a patient in the Hotel Dieu, where she underwent an operation on Saturday morning, and is progressing nicely.

W. Lloyd, Winchester, says we have real spring here in comparison to conditions down there, where winter is still in full swing with excellent sleighing prevailing and huge banks of snow. We can also now boast of a strip of open water opposite the wharf, and those who felt they had come home from the south a couple of months too early, are a little more inclined to stay.

Michael Macdonell, Kingston, spent a few days in Gananoque last week, and had some interesting news of Miami, where he spent the past several months.

AT WOLFE ISLAND.
Euchre and Dance Was Held in the C.M.B.A. Hall.
Wolfe Island, April 10.—A euchre and dance was held in the C.M.B.A. hall on Easter Monday evening, under the auspices of the Ladies' League of the Sacred Heart church. There were about a hundred couple present who danced to the sweet strains of Prof. Hogan and Spoor's orchestra. Supper was served by the ladies at midnight and after refreshments the dance continued till three o'clock in the morning.

Mrs. Ira Payne, who was taken suddenly ill at her home, was taken to the Hotel Dieu, Kingston, for medical treatment.

Mr. William Armstrong has secured a position on the Steamer Halcomb as wheelman. Mr. John O'Brien has moved into the house he recently purchased. Mr. Daniel McGlynn has gone to Rochester, N.Y. Mr. Oliver Hawkins has purchased Mr. Edward Kelley's lot in the village. Mr. Fred Staley has purchased Mr. Bert Grimshaw's farm. Miss Hilda Tarrant has gone to New York to take up her duties as trained nurse.

Late Mrs. Thomas Bell.
Findlay Station, April 10.—The funeral of Mrs. Thomas Bell took place on Friday afternoon. The service was conducted at the house by Rev. Mr. Kidd, Gananoque; assisted by Rev. Mr. Servage. A very large company gathered to pay their last respects to a devout Christian woman, whom to know was to love. Her life was an inspiration to the whole neighborhood. She leaves a family of five sons and five daughters. The casket was banked with beautiful flowers.

Mrs. Lennox, Iroquois, spent a week at William Bell's. Rev. Mr. Lyttle, Kingston, preached in Woodburn church on Sunday night. His fine sermon was listened to by an appreciative congregation.

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