

Item No. 16

PROVINCIAL
NORMAL SCHOOL
TUXEDO, MANITOBA

AUGUST 5, 1953.

The Right Honourable Louis St. Laurent,
Prime Minister of Canada,
Parliament Building,
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. St. Laurent:

The Summer School Students' Council of the Manitoba Provincial Normal School Summer School, representing six hundred seventy-five students from all parts of the Province, in session from July 7th to August 15th, wish to draw your attention to the loss of civic rights to which many of them will be subject because they will not be able to be in their own constituencies to exercise their franchise on election day, August 10th. Of our total enrolment, about 15% are active teachers whose homes are in rural parts of the Province.

We would respectfully request through you that the Government would take steps to redress this disfranchisement of a considerable section of the electorate of Manitoba, and authorize some system of absentee balloting, such as that with which we are familiar in municipal elections in the City of Winnipeg, so that in future elections citizens attending Summer Schools may not be deprived of the right to vote.

On behalf of the Council and Students of the Manitoba Provincial Normal School Summer School

Yours respectfully,

(sgd) J. A. Cliffe, President.
M. A. Loree, Secretary.

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FEBRUARY 22, 1954.

Managing Director,
The House of Commons,
Ottawa, Canada.

Dear Sir:

Some few years ago the Attorney at Law of the Ramsay Co., Ottawa, Can., consulted me to the degree by sending out a pamphlet to me asking me if I could improve the Legislature of any province of Canada. Sir, my being an inventor through devising one or more meritorious inventions, I suggest