

get closer harmony between the instructor and the pupil. I believe we have the best rural education set-up in the province, but a purely academic course falls short of preparing the vast majority of our Six Nations' youth for the life which they must face. That is why I said provision should be made for manual training.

Some plan should be devised whereby school supplies could reach the reserves more quickly. We have teachers in the crafts, and they should be allowed to buy supplies as required. In the spring the teacher does not know the requirement for the next fall; for instance, she does not know the number of pupils or the number of projects that she may undertake. The teacher of No. 6 school this year made a fine display of handicrafts and she bought the supplies with her own money.

Last fall the children were given an I.Q. test and we found they placed on the same level as the children in Brant county.

I should also like to suggest that scholarships be offered. Offers of scholarships in the direction you want the student to go are always helpful; for example, a normal school scholarship.

I would like to emphasize to the n-th degree that the Six Nations are following the curriculum as prescribed by the province of Ontario because the background of the Six Nations' pupils is comparable to the background of the average rural pupil and they are able to assimilate the instruction given; and those who wish to obtain a higher education must meet the requirements of the province.

A word about history books. History books grossly exaggerate the violence of our forefathers and present the Indians in a bad light.

I believe that our health education should be improved. Health education is given by nurses. We have that now; but I believe they should serve extra nourishment, they should have hot lunches and pasteurized milk. And I believe pasteurized milk is the greatest need.

Next is the matter of sanitation; washbasins, tubs, soap, paper towels; and pails, water containers and we need better toilet facilities.

To the best of my knowledge at the present time there are no communicable diseases and few deficiency diseases. Most of the pupils appear to be well-nourished but there are a good many who are in urgent need of dental care.

There should also be some provision for the education of the parents in the home. I think the answer to most of our problems lies in education, not only of the children but also of the adult. Home conditions have a great influence on our children.

The CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much, Mr. Hill. We appreciate that. Now, if you gentlemen will kindly retire, we will call Mr. Sam Lickers.

Chief Sam Lickers, representing the hereditary chiefs of the Six Nations, called:

The CHAIRMAN: Mr. Lickers, I believe you represent the hereditary chiefs of the Six Nations?

The WITNESS: Yes, I do. Of course, we are not too badly off. The official representative for Six Nations has brought out most of the points in which we are concerned, but he speaks for this new council which we do not accept. There is one thing, however, which I would like to make clear, and it is this; that if it had not been for our forefathers much which you have and enjoy to-day would have been lost.