

Miss M. H. Villy who attended the Calgary Normal School last fall is at present teaching in the Linden S.D., near Swallowell on the C.P.R.

L. H. Luck, Principal of the Connaught School, Calgary, has been granted three months' leave of absence on account of ill health.

George Cromie, head of the commercial department, Medicine Hat High School, is giving up his position at Easter to go on his farm near Regina.

Miss Mina Norton of the staff of Victoria Prevocational School, Calgary, was recently married to Gunner F. C. Lowe, 78th Battery.

Arrangements have been made with the School Boards in Calgary and Edmonton for the maintenance of special classes under specially trained teachers for the education of children who are found backward in their studies. The Department of Education has stated its willingness to pay half the salary of such special teachers. These classes will not exceed ten to fifteen pupils as it is felt that the smaller number of such pupils is all that a teacher can handle to good advantage.

Miss Janet W. Morrison, who has been connected with the Medicine Hat schools for a number of years, and who has recently filled the position of Principal of Toronto Street School, has been granted leave of absence until September to recover her health.

The maximum salary for grade teachers in Calgary has recently been raised from \$1,100 to \$1,200 per annum and that of household science teachers from \$1,200 to \$1,300.

Five Public School buildings in Edmonton are being used by church clubs in which the Canadian Standard Efficiency Test Programme is being worked out. Voluntary leaders are provided by the churches and the buildings and their equipment are given without cost, the only expense in connection with the work being the janitor's fee. The plan is working well and possesses some very interesting possibilities. The school board is working co-operatively with the boys' work committee, and it is hoped that this extension work may develop into an effort of greater magnitude and influence.

Miss Bertha M. Samis, a recent graduate of the Camrose Normal School, is teaching in the Bittern Lake S.D., a short distance from Camrose.

Miss Florence Bennett, for two years teacher in the Connaught School Calgary, has been accepted, along with three other Calgary girls, to go overseas to do ambulance driving in France. These young ladies have just completed the St. John's Ambulance training, and also a course in motor mechanics.

The Government of Alberta has decided that the minimum salary for teachers in rural ungraded schools shall be \$70 per month or \$840

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