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EDUCATIONAL WORK.

During the month all of the schools of our camps closed their year's work, which has been fairly successful for the most of them. The number of graduates from the 8th grade is as follows:

Morley 3 Weston 0 Primero 8
Segundo 3 Frederick 8 Sopris 9
Berwind 6 Walsen 6 Cameron 1
Ideal 0 Rouse-Lester 2

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I understand but few of these will go any further in school unless they can do so at home, because of the expense, which indicates the need of the 9th and 10th grades being taught in our camp schools.

The teacher's applications which have come to me, with such other information as I have been able to obtain in regard to the applicants, have been sent to those school boards that were looking for teachers and desired to see the applications I had. The majority of the teachers for our camps have been selected. I have been careful not to dictate, in any wise, to the school boards, nor to urge any particular person upon them against their wishes. On the other hand I have had requests from the boards of three different camps to engage teachers for them, which while I have declined to comply with them have been rather gratifying to me under all the circumstances. I am glad to note that the principal of each of our schools next year will be a man except at Segundo- the woman chosen there has taught in that vicinity for several years and is well liked. I think the new teachers selected this year will be of much assistance to the work of this department during the coming year. I will give any further help I can to enable the school boards to secure the most efficient persons possible for this most important work.

RELIGIOUS WORK.

No Protestant preaching services for the white people, and in most places but one Catholic service, each month, are being held in the camps of Las Animas and Huerfanc counties, at present, though we are maintaining, for the colored people, one such service each month where feasible and have weekly services for them at Walsen, Rouse, Lester and Tabasco-Berwind by having the help of the local workers. A number of the white people are very desirous to have, and many others will welcome, preaching services as soon as arrangements can be made for them.

The attendance at the Sunday Schools has fallen off very decidedly since the first of the month on account of the coming of summer time, and particularly on account of the Sunday baseball games. The latter have even a greater interest to the people of the southern fields, than usual, because of the contests between the teams of the several camps to determine which two teams will play in Trinidad, on C.F. & I. Field Day, Aug. 14th. These games are almost necessarily now played on Sunday which keeps almost all the boys out of Sunday school, to the detriment of both.

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