Elmore Floyd County Superintendent of Schools Las Animas County, Colo.

Trinidad, Colorado, Oct. 4, 1915

Dear Teachers and Boards of Education:

Enclosed you will find a copy of the Program of the Conference which will be held in the High School Auditorium at Trinidad, Colorado, Friday and Saturday, October 15th and 16th, 1915. This is a conference of all the schools of Huerfano and Las Animas Counties. Last spring a conference along similar lines was held in the C. F. & I. Camps which was considered quite beneficial. This year they planned a like conference, and, upon their invitation the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and the County Superintendents of Huerfano and Las Animas Counties have decided to participate in the Conference for the benefit that may be derived for all the schools of the two counties.

It is the intention of this congress to take up many phases of school work. The aims are to promote the movement for better sanitation in the schools, which will eventually mean better sanitation in the homes; to introduce the Parent-Teacher Association, whereby the home and the schools are brought into closer contact; to stimuate the movement of the Boy Scouts and Camp Fire Girls or kindred works; to encourage manual training, domestic science and sewing so that our boys and girls may be best fitted for life's work; and to inspire a desire for better schools, better homes and better communities.

The school may accomplish a wonderful work for the entire community if the teachers and Boards of Directors will make the most of their opportunities.

This conference is not intended for the teachers alone, all interested in the schools are invited. The various school boards should see that their teachers are progressive. All school boards are, therefore, earnestly requested to attend this conference so as to help them decide whether their school is doing all it should for the community.

Since the results of the conference will probably be far reaching and of more benefit to the schools than the regular two days' teaching, it seems that it would be advantageous to the district if the school boards would have their teachers attend, and pay them for their time. With the program before them, the teachers can readily see the advantage of attending and it is hardly likely that any will be tardy or absent. The success of the conference depends largely upon the co-operation of the teachers and Boards of Education throughout the County. The conference begins at 9 a. m. and all are urged to be there before that time.

Trusting all will receive benefit from it, and assuring you of my interest in the schools and the homes of our County, I am

Respectfully yours, ELMORE FLOYD, County Superintendent of Schools.

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