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DIFFERENT TYPES OF SCHOOLS

Building Superintendent Fairn, Who Has Retired From Position, Because of Ill Health; Has Done Invaluable Work

(From the Calgary, Alta., Alberta)

With the school population of Calgary increasing at the rate of approximately 1,000 per annum, the question of increased accommodation is sure to be a live topic annually to the Calgary school board. During the past year the question of providing good accommodation for the rapidly increasing number has been made the subject of much earnest discussion by the board in its deliberations, and particularly so by the building committee. Confronted as it was by a budget pared to the limit, it found its task a difficult one. It had to provide a type of building that would be of a nature to meet the wants of the population, and at the same time to keep within its expenditure. In this work it found the guidance of Clifford W. Fairn, building superintendent and director of technology most invaluable, and the result has been that 28 new rooms have been opened this year. The schools are most handsome additions to the educational facilities of the city, and the pride of the districts where they are situated.

Four rooms have been opened each of the following bungalow schools: Bankview, Crescent Heights, Victoria, East Calgary. In the Central annex, Elbow Park extension and Upper Hillhurst, two rooms each have been opened and six will be ready in the Sunnyside school, it is hoped some time early in 1920.

NEW ROOMS

In addition to the foregoing, a number of new rooms have been opened in existing school buildings in the out lying districts. There are at present 44 school buildings owned by the Calgary school board, and accommodation is being rented in three outside buildings. In spite of this the accommodation is far from being adequate, and from present indications it will be necessary to spend at least \$2000,000 per annum in the erection of new buildings. The building committee, composed of Messrs A. Scott Dawson, F. S. Selwood and Lieut. L. L. Johnston, has given earnest consideration to the question of school accommodation and decided in favor of the type of buildings erected to supply the present needs, rather than build expensive additions to existing brick and stone schools.

It is interesting to look back over a period of 35 years, when in 1884 the first school was started in a cottage, formerly a dwelling house, and the first brick school was built in 1887, followed in 1888 by the first high school. The first high school was formerly the Calgary produce market and from that time on, more modern schools started to develop. One has only to look at the steady and enormous growth since 1906 to gain a little idea of the problem that has faced the school boards year by year. In the year mentioned there were 1,911 children to be accommodated and five years later there were 4,421. In 1915 the numbers had grown to 10,163 and last year 12,156 had to be provided with seats. The problem has appeared to be almost impossible of solution. First there has been a clamor from the east, then from the west, the north and the south; then from all quarters at once; but the board has turned to and found room for them all some how or other and with some adjustments here and there by Dr. Scott, the children of Calgary have received the education they desire.

BUNGALOWS

In sharp contrast to the type of building used in the early days, let us look at what has been done to date during the present year. The Bankview bungalow was erected at a cost of \$21,000 and has basement walls of concrete and partition of hollow tile, with ceilings of metal lath and plaster. The exterior is stucco, with shingle roof, the whole being heated with hot air. The contractor for this building was George Simpson. Of similar design is the Victoria bungalow,

costing \$22,000 with the exception that it has a tile roof. The contractors for this building were Messrs Gauley and Vanderhoogan. The Crescent Heights bungalow is exactly the same as the Bankview building, and the same cost, the contractors being the F. W. McDougal Construction Co.

CENTRAL ANNEX

The Central annex, a very handsome type of building of two rooms, was erected at a cost of \$11,500 the basement walls being of concrete and the partition of hollow tiles. Ceiling metal lath and plaster, the exterior stucco metal cornice and trim, with tar and gravel roof. Contractors, Bennett and White. The Crescent Heights manual training school is one that has been moved and remodelled. It is a frame building, but has a fireproof basement, and cost \$11,000 and is by the same contractors that built the Central annex. This building was formerly a public school building which has been remodelled and fitted up as a first class manual training school for high school pupils. Equipment and instructors have been provided to teach mechanical drawing, bench work, forging, wood turning and the use of machinery as found in the average wood working establishment. The building is already taxed to its full capacity, and it is only work will probably be incorporated into a matter of a short time when this larger high school plant.

The East Calgary bungalow is of a different type from the other schools, and was erected by Thomas Jamieson and McKenzie at a cost of \$14,000. It has fireproof basement walls and partitions, with ceilings of metal lath and plaster. Exterior stucco, with shingle roof. The remodeling of the Elbow Park school is one of the many triumphs of Mr. Fairn. It was by no means a beautiful building when he started in at the work, but he has produced a building that Elbow Park residents may well be proud of. It was erected by the building department of the Calgary school board and cost \$12,000. It has fireproof basement walls and partitions ceilings of metal lath and plaster, with stucco exterior and tile roof.

The two room school moved from Mount Pleasant to Upper Hillhurst was placed on a new fireproof basement, new tiled walls, and repainted, the work being done by Charles Newcombe at a cost of \$4,139.

In course of erection now is the Sunnyside school, a modern fireproof building, which will cost somewhere in the neighborhood of between \$34,000 and \$35,000.

In addition to the building carried out this year, quite an extensive program of grading school grounds was carried on during the summer and the sum of \$10,000 was expended on this work. The major part of this amount was spent at King Edward, King George and Sunalta schools. With the money spent on grading work, the amount expended this year over \$152,000 and it is no doubt that a somewhat similar program will have to be faced next year, if the still rapidly increasing growth is any criterion.

A FINE TYPE

"The schools erected this year I am well pleased with, and they are a fine type," said Dr. Scott, superintendent of education, when chatting the other day with the Albertan on the subject. "Mr. Fairn has given more building for the money than we expected to get. They are nice little schools, and we considered it better policy to erect that type than a temporary building that would not last. Mr. Fairn has done more for the schools than any man I know of could have done. Look at the school in Elbow Park. He has made a building out of that which is a credit to the city and neighborhood. He shows remarkably fine taste in all his work, especially in anything that has to be altered. Perhaps you

remember this department, when the school board first took it over. The city officials were ashamed to give it to us, it looked such barracks of a place. Mr. Fairn came along and looked it over, and you can see for yourself we have one of the handsomest rooms in the city hall.

"As well as that Mr. Fairn has always shown great resourcefulness in bringing up new ideas when fitting up new departments, and this has been especially noticeable in the departments of household science at Riverside and Crescent Heights. He has made departures from ordinary methods which have proved most successful. For instance he established the kitchenette plan at Riverside school, where six of them were installed instead of the round table method. In all that he has done, Mr. Fairn has been exceedingly good and throughout the whole of his work here with the Calgary school board his work has shown itself to be of a very high order, and he is worthy of the highest praise. I might say that all the buildings erected this summer, and all alterations made were designed by him, and he leaves behind him something we shall long remember him by."

Dr. Scott also referred to Mr. Fairn's marked ability in handling men. He always showed a firmness in executive work, and yet in such a way that obtained the best results, whether it was from a carpenter or a janitor.

Mr. A. Scott Dawson, chief engineer C. P. R. who is chairman of the building committee, speaks very highly of the work accomplished by C. W. Fairn during his employment by the Calgary school board. "He has always shown originality in all his work and we shall find it a hard matter to replace him when he is gone."

Mr. Fairn leaves today for Bridgetown, N. S., where he intends to open an office in the architectural business. His sole reason for leaving Calgary is because of his health, and he regrets very much that he has to go, a feeling that is shared by all whom he has come in contact with during his nine years' residence here.

I. O. O. F. AT DIGBY

A. A. Shortliffe, D. D. G. M., on Friday evening last installed for the ensuing term the officers of St. George Lodge, No. 55 Digby. He was assisted by H. E. Jones, G. W. G. H. Peters, G. M. M. C. Denton, G. S. L. S. Bailey, G. T., and Chas. Amero, G. C.

Following is a list of the officers: N. G. Harold K. Kiley, V. G., Roy C. Whynacht, Treas., J. L. Peters, P. G. F. S., A. J. Dillon, P. G. R. S., A. R. Turnbull, P. G. Warden, Ben Ruggles, P. G. Conductor, H. E. Jones, P. G. Chaplain, John O. Turnbull, P. G. R. S. N. G., A. A. Shortliffe, P. G. L. S. N. G., S. Aymar, P. G. R. S. V. G., M. C. Denton, P. G. L. S. V. G., Guy D. Dunn, P. G. I. G. B. A. Rooney, P. G. O. G., Geo. Peters, P. G. J. P. G. C. A. Lindstrom, P. G.

After the ceremony of installation, speeches by visiting brothers and members of the home lodge were heard.

CHRISTMAS FUND

The staff of the County Hospital and Home desire to acknowledge, with thanks, the following additional contributions to the Christmas Fund: Mrs. R. Whiteway \$3.00, Miss Hamilton 1.00, By New Year's Eve rent of hall 6.00

\$10.00

EUROPEAN FUND FOR STARVING CHILDREN

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(Kitchener Daily Telegraph)

"It is nineteen years ago since the Williams, Greene & Rome Co. inaugurated the Welfare Department and since then many changes for betterment of the working conditions of the employes have taken place. During this time there has been close co-operation between the Company and its employes." President S. J. Williams said in his opening remarks at one of the most unique and delightful gatherings ever held during this period which was held on Wednesday before the factory closed for the Christmas holidays. Between 200 and 300 out of 450 employes met in the dining hall, many having gone to their homes for the holidays and several interesting and timely incidents took place during the hour.

Mr. Geo. DeKleinhaus, who has had charge of the Welfare Department for many years, was the master of ceremonies. With him on the platform were President S. J. Williams, Messrs B. K. Robinson, Sales Manager, J. B. Kirby, Sec'y Treas E. G. Smith and Geo. W. Stewart of the travelling staff. The chairman extended to the employes the compliments of the season, after which seasonable greetings were read from all of the members of the travelling staff covering the whole of Canada east and west by Messrs. Stewart and Smith.

BOXES FOR THE ORPHANS

It was announced that as a result of the generous contribution of the employes each of the twenty eight children at the Kitchener Orphanage would be presented by Santa Claus in the evening with boxes filled with candies, nuts, fruits, etc. In addition a number of the girls had found time to make up undergarments for the little orphans, which would also be presented. This intimation was received with hearty applause.

LIBRARY FOR THE SOLDIERS

Chairman DeKleinhaus called Captain Proctor, of the Freeport Military Hospital to the platform, and in a few words stated that some years ago a library was commenced in the factory the employes buying the books and a total of 528 volumes had been gathered. It was decided by the employes unanimously to put the Library to better service and they concluded to present the books and book cases to the soldiers of the Military Hospital at Freeport. He thereupon presented to Captain Proctor the complete catalogue of the library and informed him that the books would be sent down to the institution in the afternoon. Capt Proctor briefly expressed thanks and appreciation on behalf of himself and the boys for the liberality and thoughtfulness of the employes of the W. G. & R. Co., and assured them that the Library would be much appreciated by the soldiers at the Hospital.

INSURING THE EMPLOYEES

The all important feature of the evening came when President S. J. Williams was called upon to address the employes. He referred to the many pleasant Christmas gatherings that have been held but he doubted if any meeting was ever held under more auspicious circumstances, in view of the successful culmination of the war and the return of the men back to the family circle. He spoke of the Christmas spirit that was evident on every hand, and read a most timely article on "Keeping Christmas" by Dr. Henry Van Dyke, which conveyed the thoughts that he wished all would carry with them throughout the season. Mr. Williams announced to his hearers that after careful consideration of the question of how best the Directors of the W. G. & R. Co. could express their appreciation of the efficiency and loyalty of the employes and to encourage them to renewed efforts for and in behalf of the Company, it had been decided to provide life insurance for all employes of the Company, including the Galt and Preston branches, while

they shall remain in the employ of the Company, at no expense to them. It was pointed out that the success of the business is measured by individual efficiency and co-operation with others.

The plan was outlined by President Williams who stated that the initial amount of insurance for each regular employe who has been in the continuous employ of the W. G. & R. Co., six months or more on December 24th 1919 at 12 o'clock noon would be \$500 and \$100 for each additional year of service until the maximum of \$2,000 is reached by those in the employ of the Company 15 years and over, of whom there are 37. Men who enlisted for overseas, of whom there were 32, all of whom returned with the exception of Capt Solon Albright and Lieut Robt Washburn, will have the time they were away added to the policy, and employes who have left the employ of the Company and have returned will be given credit for the first term of service. All new employes will benefit in the insurance plan after six months' service. Total amount of insurance will be \$350,000. It is provided that the entire cost is paid by the Company and the beneficiary may be changed from time to time as may be desired.

Mr. Williams also intimated that the plan carried with it a free visiting nursing service and also disability benefits to all in the Company's employ up to the age of 60. Every employe would be provided with the terms of the plan at an early date with the necessary blanks to be filled out.

APPRECIATED BY EMPLOYEES

When Mr. Williams resumed his seat there was prolonged applause indicating the appreciation of the employes and the following resolution, moved by A. H. Morrison and Miss L. Grader was adopted with much enthusiasm. Whereas Mr. Williams and the Directors of the W. G. & R. Company having so generously taken into consideration the further welfare of the employes of the Company, as demonstrated today in the launching of the insurance scheme whereby every worker is so handsomely benefited;

Be it resolved that we the employes of the W. G. & R. Company assembled here, go on record as being desirous of expressing to our President, Mr. Williams, and through him to the Directors of the Company our grateful appreciation of this tangible mark of their deep interest in our welfare and further that we pledge ourselves to put forth every effort in our power to ensure the continued success of this Institution of which we all consider it a privilege to be counted members.

After a few brief addresses had been made by the movers and several employes three hearty cheers and a tiger were given and the happy gathering dispersed.

(W. G. R. goods are sold by Mr. W. E. Gesner, corner of Queen and Granville Streets.)

NOVA SCOTIA FARMERS' ASSOCIATION

The Nova Scotia Farmers Association, the Farmers' Parliament of the Province, will meet this year at Kentville, Jan 27-29th. This promises to be an unusually interesting session, occurring as it does at a time when farmers are taking a very prominent place in other Provinces, not only in their own lines of work but also in matters of Government administration.

CALENDARS

The following firms have our thanks for attractive office calendars: N. E. Chute, high grade fertilizer, Bridgetown, N. S., Hoyt Metal Co. Toronto; J. S. Robertson, Printers Rollers, Montreal; N. H. Phinney, pianos and organs, Lawrencetown, N. S.

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